

Cancer Screening Services

- The New York State Department of Health Cancer Services Program (CSP) oversees a statewide, comprehensive cancer screening program providing breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening for eligible, uninsured and underinsured women and men.
- The CSP funds community-based partnerships to coordinate screening services in every county and borough in New York State.
- Each year, the partnerships screen approximately 60,000 women for breast and cervical cancer and 10,000 men and women for colorectal cancer.

Provider Benefits to Participating in the CSP

- Receive reimbursement for screening, diagnostic and treatment services that you currently provide to CSP eligible, uninsured or underinsured patients, but for which you are not compensated
- Assistance with patient recruitment, education and case management
- Access to CSP-sponsored professional and continuing medical education
- Free patient education materials
- Access to a network of CSP-sponsored cancer survivorship, support and legal assistance programs

Reimbursable Screening Services

The CSP reimburses participating providers for the following breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screening tests for eligible, uninsured or underinsured women and men:

Screening Mammograms & CBEs

- Women over age 40
- Women under age 40 at high risk for breast cancer*

Cervical Cancer Screening and pelvic exams

- Women over age 40

Fecal Occult Blood Test/Fecal Immunochemical Test Kits

- Men and women over age 50 who are at average risk for colorectal cancer

Screening Colonoscopy

- Men and women who are at elevated risk for colorectal cancer

**As determined by a clinical risk assessment performed and documented by a NYS licensed provider, per CSP protocol*

Reimbursable Diagnostic Services

- Reimbursement is available for many diagnostic services including imaging, facility fees, biopsies, pre- and post-operative procedures, pathology and consultations.

Medicaid Cancer Treatment Program (MCTP)

Women and men who are in need of treatment for breast, cervical, colorectal or prostate** cancer may be eligible for full Medicaid coverage through the MCTP. Coverage lasts for the entire treatment period and includes medications.

- Clients must meet certain other eligibility criteria such as age, income, U.S. citizenship, New York State residency, and must not be covered under any creditable insurance at the time of application.
- All eligible individuals must be seen by a Medicaid approved provider for treatment

*** The CSP does not currently support routine population-based screening for prostate cancer. The CSP does not currently provide reimbursement for prostate cancer screening and diagnostic services.*

Support and Survivorship Initiatives

As a result of early detection and improved treatments, over 10 million people in the United States have survived cancer.

- The CSP funds Community-Based Breast Cancer Education, Counseling, Outreach and Support Services programs. These community-based, grassroots, freestanding organizations offer free counseling, education, outreach and support services for people with breast cancer.
- The CSP funds Legal Supportive Services programs providing free legal advice and representation on issues such as access to entitlements, estate planning, disability benefits, child custody, and designation of health care proxies.

Public Education and Awareness

- The CSP operates a 24/7 Toll-Free Recruitment Phone-line (866-442-CANCER/866-442-2262), which has translators and refers callers directly to screening services, support services, legal services, and genetic counselors.
- In collaboration with the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, the CSP implements activities that support evidence-based early detection and prevention of skin cancer in schools, camps, parks, and communities.

Professional Development

The CSP offers professional development opportunities and resources to clinical providers to ensure that CSP clients receive high quality screening, diagnostic and treatment services in a culturally sensitive manner. The following programs are available:

- NYSDOH/American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology Statewide Grand Rounds “Eliminating Deaths from Cervical Cancer”;
- Clinical Breast Exam Training: Improving technique and skills for clinical providers;
- Ovarian Cancer “Survivors Teaching Students “Training”;
- Mammography Quality Improvement interactive Continuing Medical Education-based DVD (NYSDOH/American College of Radiology /American Society of Radiologic Technologists);
- Colorectal Cancer Professional Education in collaboration with the American Cancer Society and Academy of Family Physicians;
- Cultural Competency training; and
- Provider Resource: Ovarian Cancer: Toolkit for Healthcare Professionals.

Cancer Genomics

- Educational materials promoting the use of genetic counselors.
- Access to genetic counselors in NYS; callers to the CSP toll-free recruitment line may be connected to genetic counselors nearest them.

For additional information about the CSP and how to access professional development opportunities and resources, please call (518) 474-1222. To find a CSP screening partnership and other CSP programs near you call 1-866-442-2262 or visit the web at: www.nyhealth.gov/nysdoh/cancer/center/partnerships/