

ARKANSAS

COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING LANDSCAPE



Arkansas is the **6TH DEADLIEST** state
for colorectal cancer in the U.S.



SCREENING INFORMATION



58.8%

**OF ARKANSANS AGES 50-64
ARE UP TO DATE ON SCREENING**
(2014-2018 BRFSS data)

77.7%

**OF ARKANSANS AGES 65-75
ARE UP TO DATE ON SCREENING**
(2014-2018 BRFSS data)

177

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBER OF NEW CASES AGE <50
National Cancer Institute (2014-2018)

1,390

AVERAGE ANNUAL NUMBER OF NEW CASES AGE 50+
National Cancer Institute (2014-2018)

**DOES STATUTE
MENTION AGE?**

YES: 45

**DOES STATUTE WAIVE COST-
SHARING FOR FOLLOW-UP
COLONOSCOPY?**

YES

WHAT DOES ARKANSAS STATUTE SAY ABOUT COLORECTAL CANCER?

POLICIES COVERED BY STATE STATUTE*

A healthcare policy subject to this subchapter executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or after August 1, 2005, shall include colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests within the healthcare policy's coverage.

CONSUMERS COVERED BY STATE STATUTE*

1. Covered persons who are 45 years of age or older;
2. Covered persons who are less than 45 years of age and at high risk for colorectal cancer according to colorectal cancer screening guidelines as they existed on January 1, 2021;
3. Covered persons experiencing or meeting the following criteria or symptoms of colorectal cancer as determined by a physician licensed under the Arkansas Medical Practices Act

COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING METHODS COVERED BY STATE STATUTE*

- A. All examinations, lab tests, or preventive screening tests assigned either a grade of "A" or a grade of "B" by the United States Preventive Services Task Force.
- B. Any additional medically recognized screening tests determined by the United States Preventive Services Task Force for colorectal cancer.

[Full statute language available here.](#)

NOTE: This law goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2022.

MORE INFORMATION



Statute tied to ACS, USPSTF or other?

USPSTF

Lives enrolled in non-ERISA plans

1,722,960

Medicaid Expansion state?

Yes

Colorectal Cancer Control Program (CRCCP) grantee?

[Yes, Link Here](#)

Find out how to take action in your state at
[FightCRC.org/Advocacy](https://fightcrc.org/advocacy)



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