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PROVIDER ALERT: COLOGUARD® (AT-HOME SCREENING FOR COLORECTAL CANCER)

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) now provides coverage and reimbursement for at-home screening for colon cancer using a laboratory test that looks for genetic abnormalities which increase colon cancer risk. The test is commonly referred to as Cologuard® and is reported using CPT Code 81528 (Oncology Colorectal Screening). The service is covered once every three years.

Enrollees must have the test ordered through their healthcare provider and it will be shipped to their home. Using a prepaid UPS® label (included with the kit), the sample is to be shipped to Exact Sciences Laboratories for processing.

For questions concerning this Provider Alert, please contact the MFC-DC Provider Relations department, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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