

Applicant Name _____
(Last, First, Middle Initial)

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____
(Month/Day/Year)

COLON CANCER SCREENING FORM

The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) guidelines recommend screening for colorectal cancer using either fecal occult blood testing, sigmoidoscopy, or colonoscopy in adults, beginning at age 50 and continuing until age 75. The frequency of screening depends on the screening test used and results of an individual's prior screening.

The Peace Corps is unable to provide routine colon cancer screening and recommends that you discuss your options with your health-care provider, i.e., performing colon cancer screening before or after your Peace Corps service.

Instructions to Peace Corps Applicant:

After discussing colon cancer screenings with your physician, please attest to your understanding of the following by marking the box next to each statement and signing below.

- I understand that the Peace Corps is unable to provide routine colon cancer screening at any point during my service.
- I understand that foregoing or delaying routine screening colon cancer assessment may increase risk of delayed diagnosis of colorectal cancer, which could cause adverse health consequences, including death.

Applicant Printed Name _____

Applicant Signed Name _____ Date _____

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This information is collected under the authority of the Peace Corps Act, 22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq. It will be used primarily for the purpose of determining your eligibility for Peace Corps service and, if you are invited to service as a Peace Corps Volunteer, for the purpose of providing you with medical care during your Peace Corps service. Your disclosure of this information is voluntary; however, **your failure to provide this information or failure to disclose relevant information may result in the rejection of your application to become a Peace Corps Volunteer.**

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Instructions to the physician: Please complete the following review of your patient's colorectal cancer screening history, submit documentation of testing results, and provide recommendations for future screenings. **Attach all results.**

The above-named patient has had the following:

- Fecal occult blood testing with immunochemical testing on a single sample **within the past year**, which required no follow-up testing for abnormalities
- Fecal occult blood testing on three distinct specimens **within the past year**, which required no follow-up testing for abnormalities
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy test **within the past five years**, which required no follow-up testing for abnormalities
- Colonoscopy test **within the past 10 years**, which required no follow-up testing for abnormalities
- Abnormal colorectal screening results.** The details of the abnormalities, subsequent evaluations, and recommendations for ongoing management include the following: _____

Please indicate when the patient's next colon cancer screening is due: _____

Given the unique circumstances of the Peace Corps environment, we are unable to provide routine colon cancer screening during a Volunteer's service tenure, regardless of whether a Volunteer is in-country or on leave elsewhere. Please select which of the following statements is relevant to your patient:

- The aforementioned patient IS NOT due for colorectal cancer screening within the next three years.
- The aforementioned patient IS due for colorectal cancer screening within the next three years. I feel that completing screening at the recommended time intervals should be a priority for this patient and do not recommend any delays in the recommended screening intervals.
- The aforementioned patient IS due for colorectal cancer screening in the next three years, though based on this individual's personal and health circumstances, I think it is reasonable to either complete the screening early (before the patient leaves for Peace Corps service) or delay until the patient returns after completion of Peace Corps service. The specific screening plan my patient and I have agreed to is as follows:

Please confirm the following statement and sign to attest to your above assessment of your patient's colorectal cancer screening history and anticipated future screening needs.

- I have discussed with the above-named person that foregoing a routine screening colon cancer assessment at the recommended intervals may increase risk of delayed diagnosis of colon cancer, which could cause adverse health consequences, including death.

Closing signatures

Provider Signature/Title _____

Provider Name (Print) _____ Date _____

Provider License Number/State _____

Provider Address and Phone Number _____

If evaluation completed by other than MD, DO, or NP licensed to practice independently, must be signed or co-signed by a licensed MD or DO.

Co-signature, if required in your state _____

License Number _____