

is a home test used to screen stool for abnormalities for those with low risk for colon cancer.

## **Age of Detection**

Adults are urged to start screening for colon cancer as early as age 45.

### What is a FIT Kit?

A FIT Kit is an alternative to a colonoscopy that detects hidden abnormalities, such as blood in the stool, for those with low or average risk for colon cancer. There are no dietary restrictions or prep before using a FIT Kit. It is also recommended that you use a FIT Kit annually.

#### **Risk Factors**

Risk factors for colon cancer include: age (older adults are at a higher risk), ethnicity (African Americans have higher rates of colon cancer), family history, obesity, a diet high in red and processed meats, lack of physical activity, smoking, heavy alcohol consumption, and conditions like Crohn's.

## Signs & Symptoms

Colon cancer symptoms include changes in bowel movement, rectal bleeding or blood in the stool, abdominal pain, and fatigue.

FIT Kits are your <u>key</u> to early detection of colon cancer. Don't wait. Talk to your provider today about getting a FIT Kit home collection test.

Website to information about cancer screening at health center and to schedule an appointment

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