



IMPORTANT LINKS

- Patient referral link
[Client Referral](#)
(qualityhealthnd.org)
- ScreeND CRC Screening Resources: [ScreeND](#)

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NDCRCSI Soon to Become GET:SCREENED!

The North Dakota Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative (NDCRCSI) will soon be known by a new name: **GET:SCREENED**—short for *Get COLON Screened*.

While the name is changing, the program's mission remains the same: to provide colorectal cancer screening to age- and income-eligible individuals in North Dakota who may otherwise go unscreened, helping to improve CRC screening rates and thereby reduce colorectal cancer morbidity and mortality. The updated name is designed to be more memorable, easier to reference in conversations with patients, and simpler to find online.

Efforts are currently underway to update program materials and transition all associated documents to reflect the new branding. In addition, a new website is in development that will serve as a centralized resource for patient and provider information.

"Our hope in changing the name from NDCRCSI to something more concise like GET:SCREENED, is it will bring us greater recognition and staying power in fast pace environments with many competing priorities." said Carolyne Tuft, patient enrollment specialist. Stay tuned for more updates as GET:SCREENED rolls out statewide this summer.

Featured Resource



**Colonoscopy
Locator**

Find out
when & where
to get a
colonoscopy!

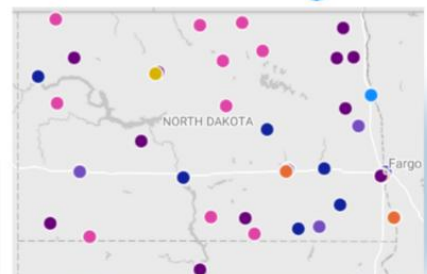
We're working together to make colonoscopy scheduling faster and easier.

- Search colonoscopy sites across North Dakota
- Spot locations with shorter wait times
- Find clinics near your patients
- Get current scheduling contacts
- **FREE** to use!

Use the Colonoscopy Locator to help connect patients to the right care.

ndcancercoalition.org/crcmap

SCAN HERE



ENROLLED FACILITIES

Check out where NDCRC SI, soon to be **GET:SCREENED** is offered! [View Map](#)

Map Legend:



Colonoscopy Site



Clinic and
Colonoscopy Site



Clinic

News

Quality Health Associates of North Dakota Awarded 2026 National Achievement Award!

2026 National Achievement Awardees

Grand Prize Award Winner:

ScreeND Program at Quality Health Associates of North Dakota

- Category: CDC Colorectal Cancer Control Program
- Location: North Dakota

Honorees:

BRAVE- CRC Program at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

- Category: Health Systems Treatment Program
- Location: Texas

Fred Hutch/University of Washington Medicine Population Health CRC Screening Program

- Category: Health System Screening Program
- Location: Washington

MNGI Digestive Health

- Category: Links to Care Program
- Location: Minnesota



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On **March 16**, the ACS NCCRT announced four new organizations that will be highlighted throughout 2026 for their extraordinary work to reduce the incidence of and mortality from CRC across the U.S. through the [ACS NCCRT National Achievement Awards](#). This year's recipients are **ScreeND at Quality Health Associates of North Dakota** (Grand Prize, CRCCP), the **Bridging Research Innovation Advocacy and Value-Centric Excellence in Young-Onset Colorectal Cancer Program at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center** (Health System Treatment Program), the **Fred Hutch/ UW Medicine Population Health Colorectal Cancer Screening Program** (Health System Screening Program), and **MNGI Digestive Health** (Links to Care Program).

"This honor reflects the dedication of the 21 partner clinics across our state, and other collaborators working together to save lives," said Nikki Medalen, Quality Improvement Specialist at QHA-ND. The Impact Report of the ScreeND work, can be found [here](#).

The recipients work will be highlighted throughout the next year on the ACS NCCRT website, on webinars, and at the 2026 ACS NCCRT Annual Meeting. You may watch the recording of the [National CRC Awareness Month Webcast](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

ND Cancer Coalition and ND Colorectal Cancer Roundtable Annual Meetings

April 29-30, 2026 | Fargo, ND

[Register](#)

If you aren't already a member of the ND Cancer Coalition, please consider joining. There is lots of opportunity to make an impact with collective action across the entire state. Join one of four Action Teams: Breast Cancer, ND Colorectal Cancer Roundtable, Skin Cancer/Sun Safety, and Survivorship! Join [here](#).

It's not too late to [sponsor](#) the Annual Meetings or to the Cancer Coalition in general. [Donations](#) can be made in honor or in memory of someone. Please consider supporting this great cause!

2026 ANNUAL MEETINGS

 Dakota Medical Foundation, Fargo, ND



Wednesday, April 29, 2026
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

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| 12:15 | Registration/Venor area open |
| 1:00 - 1:05 | Welcome: Beverly Greenwald, PhD, APRN |
| 1:05 - 1:15 | TBA, Pancreatic Cancer Survivor Story |
| 1:15 - 1:30 | Business Meeting: Beverly Greenwald, PhD, APRN |
| 1:30 - 1:40 | Announcement Turn ND Blue winners, Nikki Medalen MSN, RN |
| 1:40 - 2:10 | HPV Infection: Immunizing for Cancer Prevention, Tracie Newman, MD |
| 2:10 - 2:40 | Brief Progress Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breast cancer awareness coffee sticker project report, Bobbie Will and Carolyn Tufte• Sanford Lung Cancer Screening, Jennifer Weiss BS• Access to care to prevent and screen for cancer; Susan Mormann, BA |
| 2:40 - 3:10 | Break/Vendors |
| 3:10 - 4:25 | Panel: Motivational Interviewing for Substance Use <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tobacco Cessation Brody Maack, PharmD• Alcohol Cessation, Amy Werremeyer, PharmD• Motivational Interview Mary Larson PhD, MPH |
| 4:25 - 4:30 | Wrap-up and Adjourn |



Thursday, April 30, 2026
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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| 8:00 - 8:30 | Registration/Venor area open |
| 8:30 - 8:35 | Welcome: Jared Marquart, MD |
| 8:35 - 8:50 | Survivor Story, Tom Haun |
| 8:50 - 9:50 | New Strategies to Increase CRC Screening, Aasma Shaukat, MD |
| 9:50 - 10:05 | Rise in Early Onset Colon Cancer, Jared Marquardt, MD |
| 10:05 - 10:35 | Break/Vendors |
| 10:35-11:05 | ScreenND Program: Nikki Medalen, Jonathon Gardner, Carolyne Tufte |
| 11:05 - 11:45 | Facilitated Activity: Quality Health Associates of North Dakota |
| 11:45 - 11:55 | Report Out |
| 11:55 - 12:00 | Wrap-up and Adjourn |

Objectives:

- Apply key insights from survivor stories to improve practice.
- Promote HPV vaccination with one actionable strategy.
- Identify improvements in cancer screening and access to care.
- Use motivational interviewing to support tobacco or alcohol cessation.
- Translate group discussion insights into a clear next step for their team or organization.

Register Now! www.ndcancercoalition.org/2026-annual-meeting

Provider resources:

www.qualityhealthnd.org/contracts/ndcrc/

Patient resources:

www.hhs.nd.gov/health/community/comp-cancer/CRC

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