



Positive Patient Outcomes BARRIE AND COMMUNITY FAMILY HEALTH TEAM: LC3

"Through FOBT screening we saved two lives."
Dr. Andrew Wozniak,
Physician, Barrie and
Community FHT
- Team 2

"Working with the Barrie and Community FHT -Team 2 was very inspiring to me. This team found the balance between quality patient care and efficient office practices. This is evidenced by their impressive FOBT screening completion numbers and their statistics for completion of pap smear and mammograms. The winners in this improvement journey are the patients and the healthcare team."
Dora-Lynn Davies, Quality Improvement Coach

Addressing a mass mailing to patients 50 to 74 years of age with the notice "Important Message from your Family Doctor" enabled Barrie and Community FHT - Team 2 to educate their patients regarding the importance of colorectal screening with a simple at-home testing kit - Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT). Letters with an FOBT screening kit were mailed to patients along with the request to complete the test within seven days. Patients who did not complete the test were sent a follow-up letter, and returned results were documented in the Health Maintenance Category of the electronic medical record.

Success Story

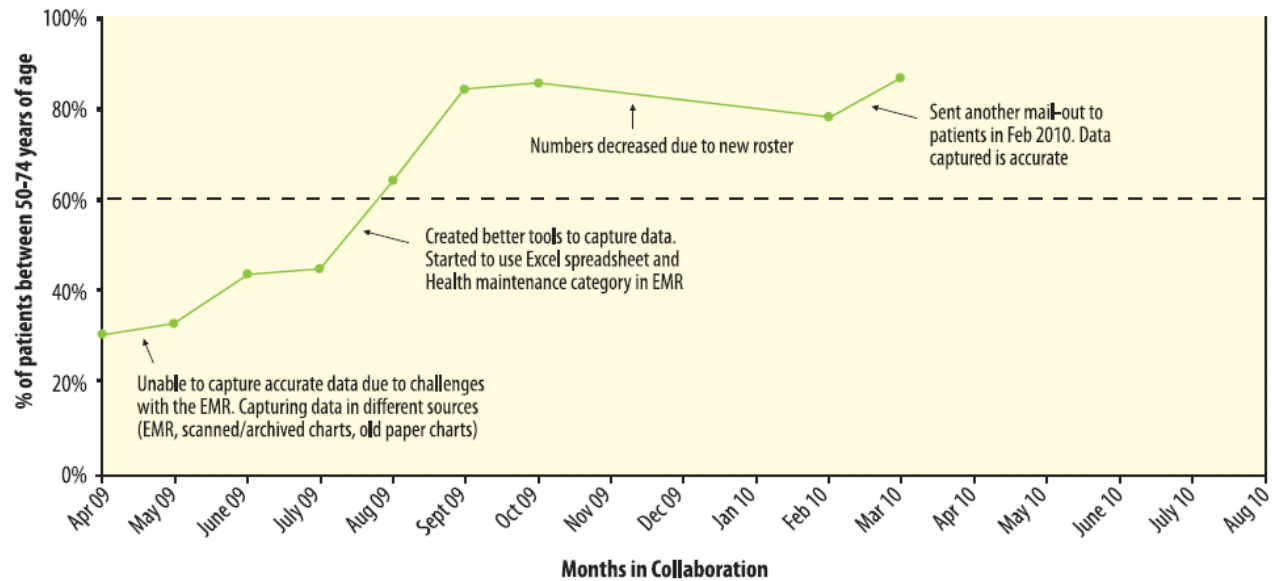
Through mail screening, two Barrie and Community FHT patients were detected with

positive FOBT results. One patient in particular, who did not come into the office on a regular basis, responded to the letter and completed the screening. The test was positive and as a result, underwent surgery. Using a quality improvement approach and adapting a program that is targeted, resulted in early detection and life saving surgery.

Screening Approach Spread to Other Areas

Successful FOBT screening rates led Barrie and Community FHT to spread preventative screening measures to other domains (pap tests, mammograms, flu shots and other immunizations) with 89% to 96% successful screening rates.

BARRIE AND COMMUNITY FAMILY HEALTH TEAM AN INCREASE OF 29% TO 86% OF PATIENTS SCREENED FOBT FOR THOSE >=50 AND <=74 YEARS WITHIN THE PRECEDING 2 YEARS OR COLONOSCOPY SCREENING FOR DR. ANDREW WOZNIAK



"When a team talks and shares, things change."
Laura Back, RN, Barrie and Community FHT -Team 2

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