



PROVIDER MANUAL

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SECTION I: PROGRAM OVERVIEW

A. Background

The *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program (*FITWAY* Program) is a statewide program of the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) aimed at providing colorectal screening and diagnostic services to AL residents who meet certain age, income, insurance, and health status guidelines, and who are under the care of a primary health care physician.

Tobacco Screening and Cessation Policy

It is well-documented that tobacco use is associated with many cancers and much chronic disease. In an effort to decrease the impact of tobacco, CDC is now requiring the *FITWAY* Program to assess each patient's usage of tobacco products as part of the patient workup. On the [Patient Eligibility/ Risk Assessment/ Screening Form](#), there is a box to check if a *FITWAY* patient is a smoker or uses tobacco products. If the patient answers "YES", then providers must refer them to a tobacco quit line, such as the Alabama Department of Public Health's *Alabama QUITNOW*, at 1.800.784.8669 or AlabamaQuitNow.com.

B. Eligible Patients for Enrollment:

- A resident of Alabama
- Age 50-64 years
- Are uninsured, cannot pay co-pays for screenings, or have inadequate insurance (Inadequate insurance is defined as "health insurance that does not fully cover screening services." Source: CDC, CRCCP Program Manual, Page 7, 3 February 2011)
- Income levels up to 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table, page 7)
- Persons who are under the care of a [FITWAY-contracted health care provider located in Alabama](#)

[It no longer matters which county the patient resides as long as their health care provider is located in any of Alabama's 67 counties.](#)

- At **average risk** for developing CRC: Average risk is defined as:
 - 1- **no** personal or family history of adenomas or CRC
 - 2- **no** history of inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease)
 - 3- **no** history of genetic syndromes such as Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP) or Lynch Syndrome (previously known as Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer [HPNCC])
- Persons who are without significant gastrointestinal complaints (see **significant** symptoms under Ineligible Patients). **Note: Persons with hemorrhoids are eligible for enrollment; however, they should wait until the hemorrhoidal flare-up is over before taking the FIT.**

C. Ineligible Patients: Persons with the following symptoms or conditions are in need of clinical evaluation and subsequent treatment; therefore, the primary health care provider is responsible for services beyond the scope of the *FITWAY* Program.

Persons **not** eligible for the *FITWAY* program include:

- Patients with medical history of inflammatory bowel disease (e.g., ulcerative colitis, Crohn’s disease)
- Patients with a genetic diagnosis of Familial Adenomatous Polyposis [FAP] or Lynch Syndrome (previously known as Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer [HPNCC])
- Patients with a clinical diagnosis or suspicion of FAP or Lynch Syndrome
- Persons with a personal history or a family history of adenomas or colorectal cancer
- Clients who have had an initial positive screening test performed outside of the program and who are seeking diagnostic services
- Clients who present with **significant GI symptoms** such as:
 - Consistently small caliber stools (narrow, pencil-sized)
 - Significant unintentional weight loss of 10% or more of starting body weight
 - Blood mixed-in throughout the stool (significant amount)
 - Rectal bleeding, bloody diarrhea, or blood in the stool within the past 6 months unless a clinical evaluation has identified the bleeding as known or suspected hemorrhoids, **in which case the patient is eligible for enrollment. Patient should wait until the hemorrhoidal episode is over before completing the FIT**
 - Prolonged change in bowel habits, such as diarrhea or constipation for more than 2 weeks which has not be clinically evaluated
 - Persistent abdominal pain
 - Symptoms of bowel obstruction such as bowel distention, nausea, vomiting, severe constipation

D-1 Reimbursable Services: All reimbursements are at the current Medicare rates

Screening:

- Office visit charge related to screening
- Providers will be paid for an office visit charge **even if the patient fails to return their FIT only if the provider makes 3 attempts to get the patient to return their test. These attempts must include a phone call, a postcard, and a letter, and must be documented on the Eligibility/Screening form (see page 31)** returned to Screening Coordinator for payment.
- **New: The screening provider will be reimbursed for the completed FIT at the current Medicare rate.** (Please see CPT code listing in Appendix B, page 34, for current reimbursement amount.)

Diagnostic testing for a positive FIT:

- Office visits related to diagnostic work-up
- Colonoscopy
- Biopsy/polypectomy during colonoscopy
- Moderate sedation for colonoscopy
- Pathology fees

D-2 Non-reimbursable Services:

- CT Colonography (or virtual colonoscopies) as a primary screening test
- Computed Tomography Scan (CTs or CAT scans) requested for staging or other purposes
- Surgery or surgical staging UNLESS specifically required and approved by the MAB for histological diagnosis of cancer

- Any treatment related to the diagnosis of colorectal cancer
- Any care or services for complications related to screening or diagnostic tests within this program.
See *FITWAY* Policy below:

Complications from Screening and Diagnostic Testing

As stated by CDC’s CRCCP Policies and Procedures, federal funds may not be used for “Any care or services for complications that result from screening or diagnostic tests provided by the program.” Therefore, the Alabama *FITWAY* Program, in partnership with its contracted providers, is responsible for managing any costs related to patient complications occurring throughout the administration of screening and diagnostic test procedures.

The Alabama *FITWAY* Program’s design is to use a fecal immunochemical test (FIT or iFOBT) as the initial screening tool. Patients whose FIT is positive must undergo a diagnostic colonoscopy to determine if cancer is present. Due to the complex and invasive nature of colonoscopy, its requirement for sedation, bowel preparation, etc. it is important to address the possibility of patient complications.

Due to both the sensitivity and specificity of the FIT/iFOBT, the expected positivity rate is approximately 4 percent. Therefore, the program anticipates minimal diagnostic colonoscopies and resulting occurrences of complications.

In all instances when complications do occur, the *FITWAY* Administration and Medical Advisory Board will:

A. Examine each case on an individual basis:

- ✓ What is the severity of the complication(s)?
- ✓ What are the costs incurred?
- ✓ What is the financial status of the patient to pay for costs?

B. Review of available funds

C. Work with hospitals to achieve reduced served rates

D. If needed, ask for guidance from CDC’s CRCCP medical director

- Evaluation of symptoms for clients who present for CRC screening but are found to have significant GI symptoms
- Diagnostic services to patients who had a positive CRC screening outside of our program
- Management of medical conditions including inflammatory bowel disease (such as surveillance, colonoscopy, and medical therapy)
- Genetic testing for clients who present with a history suggestive of a HNPCC or FAP
- The use of Propofol as anesthesia during endoscopy unless specifically required and approved by the MAB in cases where the client cannot be sedated with standard moderate sedation

E. Service Providers

Eligible enrollees must receive services from providers who are under contract with ADPH.

F. Treatment for Colorectal Cancer

The *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program DOES NOT provide for costs related to staging

of or the treatment of colorectal cancer; however, treatment at no charge to the patient will be provided by a voluntary cancer center within the state to those patients who are diagnosed with colorectal cancer through the *FITWAY* Program.

SECTION II: INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose

First, the purpose of the *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program is to prevent unnecessary disease, disability, and premature death due to cancers of the colon and/or rectum.

Secondly, since tobacco usage is linked to many cancers and other chronic diseases, CDC is now requiring our program to focus on tobacco-usage in order to refer our patients to quit lines where information and help is available if they wish to be tobacco-free.

This manual contains *FITWAY* Program guidelines and operational references for clinics and health care providers participating in the program. Each contracted provider should have a designated staff member who is responsible for:

- 1- Receiving *FITWAY* Program memorandums or programmatic updates
- 2- Distributing this information to the appropriate staff

Contracted providers must adjust to changes in program guidelines. Each provider must allow in-service training for existing staff members and for new employees to assure program compliance.

B. Overview

The key to reducing illness and death from colorectal cancer is early detection by widespread use of colorectal cancer screening tests such as the fecal immunochemical test (FIT) with timely diagnostic follow-up tests (colonoscopy) and treatment, if necessary. Early detection of pre-cancerous polyps (adenomas) allow for their removal before they have the chance to become cancerous. The purpose of the funding is to provide screening, early detection, and referral services for colorectal cancers with emphasis placed on individuals age 50-64, who are uninsured or have inadequate insurance, who are at average risk for developing colorectal cancer, and who are at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

A combination of federal law, regulations imposed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program governs the guidelines set forth in this manual.

Funding for activities performed under the program was provided by the Alabama Department of Public Health, through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention DP002055 (Integrating Colorectal Cancer Screening within Chronic Disease Programs) for from June 30, 2009 through June 29, 2014. The program is under section 301(a) of the Public Health Service Act, [42 U.S.C. section 241(a)], as amended.

The grants are awarded to states via a cooperative agreement by CDC through a competitive application process.

SECTION III: SCREENING ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

A. Eligible Population include:

- A resident of Alabama
- Ages 50-64
- Persons who are under the care of a FITWAY-contracted health care provider
- **Health care provider is located in any of Alabama’s 67 counties**
- Persons at **average risk** for developing CRC. Average risk is defined as:
 - ✓ no personal or family history of adenomas or CRC
 - ✓ no history of inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn’s disease)
 - ✓ no history of genetic syndromes such as Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP) or Lynch Syndrome (previously known as Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer [HPNCC])
- Income levels up to 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table, page 7)
- Persons who have inadequate or no insurance (Inadequate insurance is defined as “health insurance that does not fully cover screening services.” Source: CDC, CRCCP Policies and Procedures, Page 7, 3 February 2011)
- Persons who are without significant* gastrointestinal complaints. **Persons with hemorrhoids are eligible for the Program but should wait until the hemorrhoidal episode is over before completing the FIT.**

***Significant gastrointestinal complaints which would disqualify a patient from enrollment include:**

- ✓ Consistently small caliber stools (narrow, pencil-sized)
- ✓ Significant unintentional weight loss of 10% or more of starting body weight
- ✓ Significant blood mixed-in throughout the stool (more than blood seen on paper/water or from hemorrhoids)
- ✓ Prolonged change in bowel habits, such as diarrhea or constipation for more than 2 weeks which has not been clinically evaluated
- ✓ Rectal bleeding, bloody diarrhea, or blood in the stool within the past 6 months, **unless** clinical evaluation has identified the bleeding as known or suspected hemorrhoids
- ✓ Persistent abdominal pain
- ✓ Symptoms of bowel obstruction such as bowel distention, nausea, vomiting, severe constipation

B. Income Table- Proof of income is not required. The individual’s declaration statement is sufficient.

<u>2012 Income Eligibility Guidelines - FFY 2012 until revised</u>		
At or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level determines program eligibility.		
Household Size	Annual	Monthly *
1	\$21,780	\$1,815
2	\$29,420	\$2,452
3	\$37,060	\$3,088
4	\$44,700	\$3,725
5	\$52,340	\$4,362
6	\$59,980	\$4,998
7	\$67,620	\$5,635
8	\$74,260	\$6,272

Each additional household member add \$7,640 annual or \$637 monthly

**Based on DHHS Poverty Guidelines, updated 06/07/2012*

C. Inadequate or No Insurance

Inadequate insurance is defined as “health insurance that does not fully cover screening services.”

Source: CDC, CRCCP Policies and Procedures, Page 7, 3 February 2011.

SECTION IV: PATIENT RIGHTS

A. Confidentiality of Patient Information

FITWAY Program health care providers will be required to:

- Protect the use or disclosure of any individual’s medical or social information of a confidential nature
- Consider medical services and information contained in medical records as confidential
- Disclose the individual’s medical records to contracted *FITWAY* Program physicians or medical facilities accepting the individual for diagnostic service or for treatment procedures
- Disclose the individual’s medical records to the *FITWAY* Program state office
- Disclose information, in summary or other forms, which does not identify individuals or providers if such information is in compliance with applicable federal and state regulations, and the exchange of individual medical record information is in keeping with established medical standards and ethics

B. Informed Consent

A *FITWAY* Program *Informed Consent/Release of Information Consent Form*, illustrating the individual's consent to receive *FITWAY* Program colorectal screening services, must be signed prior to the individual receiving any services. This consent form must be signed by the patient. This signed form must be kept in the individual's permanent medical record. (This form can be printed from the *FITWAY* Program web page, www.adph.org, select A-Z Contents, select Colorectal Cancer- and from the web-based Enrollment site, accessed through the web page above.) **This form has been revised from Version-1; see page 30.**

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SECTION V: PROVIDER CONTRACTING PROCESS

All providers must execute an approved Public Health contract document PRIOR to the provision of services. Contracts are typically executed for two-year periods of time, expiring every other June 30th. In addition to the executed contract, the following must also be provided:

- Disclosure Statement
- Immigration Statement
- Applicable Check List (physician, anesthesiologist, mammogram facility or laboratory)
- Copy of all physician and certain licensed health care professional licenses
- Copy of certain facility licenses
- Copy of current fee schedule on practice letterhead
- W-9 Form

Providers MUST notify the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator when any of the following takes place:

- The federal tax identification number changes
- Changes in practice name, physical or mailing address, phone or fax numbers and contact personnel
- If billing methodologies change from global, technical, professional, or when billing methodologies are different for selected procedures
- When the mailing address for the receipt of payments changes
- When physicians leave or join a practice to include a copy of the current license
- Upon expiration of any facility, physician, or licensed health care professional license, a copy of the renewed license must be faxed to the *FITWAY Program Coordinator* (Note: All physician licenses in Alabama expire each December 31. Registered nurse licenses expire every other year on December 31)

SECTION VI: SCREENING PROVIDER RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Screening Provider Requirements

1. Program Requirements

The *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program (*FITWAY* Program) providers must maintain current and applicable federal and/or state licenses.

- *FITWAY* Program Screening Providers include: licensed medical providers and non-profit health centers qualified to provide *FITWAY* Program screening services
- All Screening Providers must agree to accept the program-approved reimbursement fee as payment-in-full for services rendered. That reimbursement, by law, cannot be above the current Medicare reimbursement rate

2. Service Provision- Screening Providers must agree to the following:

- NEW: To purchase their own FIT for testing their patients for colorectal cancer.
- **Please note the following:**
 1. **No guaiac-based test is acceptable** for screening in the FITWAY Program
 2. While the approximate cost for buying the FIT will run from \$4.00 to \$8.00 a test (depending on the test chosen), **the FITWAY Program will reimburse at the current Medicare rate of \$22.53 for every completed FIT**
 3. **For quality of testing, specimens collected by digit rectal exam (DRE) are not acceptable for colorectal cancer screening and will not be paid for by the FITWAY Program. All patients must take their FIT home, where they are to collect the stool sample following a bowel movement.**
- To ask their FITWAY patients about any tobacco-usage and in the event that that the patient uses tobacco, to provide quit line information
- To refer all FIT- positive patients for diagnostic colonoscopy with a contracted gastroenterologist
- To facilitate the timely follow-up for all *FITWAY* Program participants according to CDC guidelines
- To provide public education and community outreach by working with local partnerships

3. Patient Enrollment- Instructions for enrolling a patient in the *FITWAY* Program can be found at www.adph.org/earlydetection; select *FITWAY* Colorectal Program.

To enroll an individual, the Screening Provider must:

- Determine eligibility based on FITWAY guidelines, both financial and medical
- Obtain a tracking number through the *Med-it* web-based Enrollment site at www.med-itweb.com
- Obtain a signed FITWAY Program Informed Consent/Release of Information Form prior to services
- Complete all required forms (Eligibility/Risk Assessment/Screening, the HCFA billing Forms, etc., also found on the web site) for each individual and submit to the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator (Note: all forms can be found on FITWAY Program web site)

4. Patient Education

Screening Providers are required to provide patients with information and educational services concerning the importance of early detection and treatment of adenomatous polyps or colorectal cancer. The purpose of the educational component is to provide individuals with the information necessary to understand:

- **The screening procedures used in the detection of colorectal cancer**
- **The technique for completing the FIT successfully**
- **The need for the individual to comply with recommended screening guidelines as they relate to future screening practices**

These instructions should be patient-appropriate, documented in the individual's record, and he/she should be allowed an opportunity to ask questions and verbalize understanding of the educational information presented.

5. Record Keeping

- The *FITWAY* Program requires that a copy of all *FITWAY* Program-reimbursed screening and diagnostic reports be placed in the patient's permanent medical record maintained by the Screening Provider
- The provider must document all education provided to the individual
- The provider must establish a system for tracking individuals that notifies him/her when routine screening and/or follow-up is due

For Unreturned FITs:

Screening providers must make 3 contacts to patients who fail to return their FITs. **The contacts must include a phone call, a reminder postcard, and finally a letter asking for the return of the screening tests. This would usually occur over a 30- to 60-day period.** If after two months the individual does not return the test, then the provider should send the patient data form with all attempts fully documented on the form to the Screening Coordinator who will record the work-up disposition as one of the following:

- Lost to follow-up, if the individual cannot be contacted via phone, post card, or letter
- Work-up refused, if the individual refuses to return the FIT or does not show twice for scheduled appointments
- The screening cycle will be closed at that time, and the screening provider will be paid for the office visit

Note: A client lost to previous follow-up attempts shall not be denied future screening services.

6. **Visit Type:** Note: Patients who are found to be clinically ineligible for the *FITWAY* Program must be evaluated and treated appropriately by their enrolling health care provider outside of the scope of the *FITWAY* Program

Initial Visit services include:

- Review of all eligibility guidelines: 1) financial, 2) medical history, **and 3) tobacco-usage, with referral to tobacco quit line when necessary**
- Distribution of the FIT with instructions for collection and return
- Providing informational and educational services related to colorectal cancer
- Referral for colonoscopy to a contracted diagnostic provider when the FIT is positive, according to *FITWAY* Program guidelines

Annual Visit services include: Annual re-screening with FIT can begin at the 11-month anniversary

- Review of all eligibility guidelines: 1) financial, 2) medical history, **and 3) tobacco-usage, with referral to tobacco quit line when necessary.**
- Distribution of FIT with instructions for use and return
- Providing informational and educational services related to colorectal cancer

- Referral for colonoscopy for positive FIT according to *FITWAY* Program guidelines

7. **Referrals:** Screening Providers must refer, in a timely manner, all patients with positive FIT results to a contracted *FITWAY* Diagnostic Provider for colonoscopy. **From screening to final diagnosis, the diagnostic work-up must be completed within 90 days.**

Included in the referral process by the Screening Provider is:

- Counseling with documentation for each individual who has an abnormal FIT, and notifying the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator if the client needs assistance to identify and access available community resources beyond the Provider’s efforts, case management, and/or patient navigation services
- Referring for diagnostic work-up; i.e., colonoscopy by a *FITWAY*–contracted Diagnostic Provider
- **NEW: Ensuring the individual has completed the diagnostic colonoscopy, and in the event that the patient fails to keep their colonoscopy appointment, the Screening Provider must:**
 - 1) **Contact the patient directly about the missed appointment**
 - 2) **Inform the Program Coordinator of the patient’s failure to have the colonoscopy**
 - 3) **Documented all contacts in the patient chart**

The *FITWAY* Program Coordinator and Nurse Coordinator will attempt to contact and counsel the patient through: 1) an informational packet explaining the importance of the colonoscopy procedure, 2) a phone call by the Nurse Coordinator to discuss the issue, and 3) if the patient still fails to keep the appointment, the sending of a certified letter explaining the importance of the test.

An individual previously non-responsive to abnormal follow-up attempts shall not be denied future screening services.

8. **Tracking and Follow-Up:**

All Screening Providers must:

- Maintain a record of all testing procedures performed
- Utilize an internal tracking system that ensures effective communication with the Providers, laboratory personnel, and their patients to ensure results are received in a timely manner
- Facilitate proper follow-up for individuals with abnormal screening results to make sure recommended procedures are followed and completed-see #7. **REFERRALS** above
- Address any barriers that individuals might have in following recommended procedures
- Maintain a screening system to notify individuals when next screenings are due

SECTION VII: DIAGNOSTIC PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

The *FITWAY* Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program (*FITWAY* Program) providers must maintain current and applicable federal and/or state licenses. All Diagnostic Providers must agree to accept the *FITWAY* Program-approved reimbursement fees as payment in full for services rendered.

For Missed Colonoscopy Appointments: Diagnostic Providers must contact the Screening Provider if a FIT + patient fails to keep their diagnostic colonoscopy appointment so that the Screening Provider can follow-up with the patient.

A client lost to previous follow-up attempts shall not be denied future screening services.

A. Colonoscopy Providers: All colonoscopy providers for the *FITWAY* Program must:

- Be a physician who is certified in performing colonoscopy and currently licensed in the State of Alabama
- Provide diagnostic colonoscopy upon referral and other related diagnostic procedures as indicated and approved for reimbursement by *FITWAY* Program
- Maintain all records, pictures, etc. of any diagnostic information for all *FITWAY* Program patients according to standard procedures
- Provide appropriate and timely follow-up for all *FITWAY* patients

B. Reporting Requirements

To receive reimbursement, the diagnostic facility must submit the following to the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator within 60 days of the date of service:

- The *Health Insurance Claim Form*(HIFA 1500 or the UB 92 for facilities) AND/OR invoice/bill with the patient's name
- A completed *FITWAY Diagnostic Procedures Form*
- Provide the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator and the Screening Provider with information regarding the outcome of the individual's diagnostic tests and any treatment needed **within 60 days** of diagnostic procedures. If this is not received, the Program Coordinator will make two attempts to get the information from the Diagnostic Provider and/or the patient for any missing information
- Any pathology reports for patients with polyps, etc

C. Reporting of Medical Complications

NOTE: Complications from endoscopy can be delayed (up to 30 days). Programs should have a plan in place to monitor delayed complications. In the event of complications, please record required information on the Diagnostic Procedures Form for the two worse complications only.

Complications from Screening and Diagnostic Testing

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In all instances when complications do occur, the *FITWAY* Administration and Medical Advisory Board will:

E. Examine each case on an individual basis:

- ✓ What is the severity of the complication(s)?
- ✓ What are the costs incurred?
- ✓ What is the financial status of the patient to pay for costs?

F. Review of available funds

G. Work with hospitals to achieve reduced served rates

H. If needed, ask for guidance from CDC's CRCCP medical director

D. Laboratories

- Any laboratory that performs procedures either directly, under contract, or indirectly (under a global contract with a contracted provider) for *FITWAY* patients must be currently certified under **CLIA**
- All providers, including all labs, must agree to accept the program-approved reimbursement as payment in full for services rendered for *FITWAY* approved CPT codes as indicated in the reimbursement table (See Appendix B)

**SCREENING AND
DIAGNOSTIC
SERVICES**

SECTION VIII: SCREENING SERVICES

A. Screening Eligibility Guidelines:

1. A resident of Alabama
2. Age 50-64 years
3. Are uninsured or cannot pay co-pays for screenings (Inadequate insurance is defined as “health insurance that does not fully cover screening services.” Source: CDC, CRCCP Program Manual, Page 7, 3 February 2011)
4. Have income levels up to 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table, page 7)
5. Be under the care of a [FITWAY-contracted health care provider located in any of Alabama’s 67 counties](#). [It no longer matters which county the patient resides as long as their health care provider is located in Alabama.](#)
6. At average risk for developing CRC: Average risk is defined as:
 - No personal or family history of adenomas or CRC
 - No history of inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn’s disease)
 - No history of genetic syndromes such as Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP) or Lynch Syndrome (previously known as Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer [HPNCC])
7. Persons who are without significant gastrointestinal complaints. See **significant** symptoms under *Ineligible Patients*.

B. Office Visit Types: Routine Comprehensive Office Visits (one per 11 to 12-month period)

CPT Codes for office visits:

- Code 99201: New Patient Office visit or New Patient Consultation
- Code 99211: Established Patient Screening or Established Patient Consultation
- Code G0328 or 82274: Fecal Immunochemical test (FIT) or iFOBT

See the FITWAY CRC Program Reimbursement Table in Appendix B for all approved CRC CPT codes and reimbursements amounts. By law, FITWAY services are free to the patient. Individuals should not be charged any fees for program services at any time.

C. NEW: FIT Screening Test: [Each screening provider must purchase their own FIT for testing their patients for colorectal cancer.](#)

- [No guaiac-based test is acceptable](#) for screening in the FITWAY Program
- While the approximate cost for buying the FIT will run from \$4.00 to \$8.00 a test (depending on the test chosen), [the FITWAY Program will reimburse you at the current Medicare rate of \\$22.53 for every completed FIT](#)
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- To ask their FITWAY patients about any tobacco-usage and in the event that that the patient uses tobacco, to provide quit line information
- To refer all FIT- positive patients for diagnostic colonoscopy with a contracted gastroenterologist

- To facilitate the timely follow-up for all *FITWAY* Program participants according to CDC guidelines
- To provide public education and community outreach by working with local partnerships

D. Diagnostic Services Guidelines

- Colonoscopy
 - If a patient has a positive FIT, the patient must be referred for a diagnostic colonoscopy
 - In the event a colonoscopy is incomplete or inadequate (does not reach the cecum), a second colonoscopy or double barium contrast enema (DCBE) may be performed to establish a final diagnosis
- Biopsy/polypectomy during colonoscopy
- Bowel preparation
- Moderate sedation for colonoscopy: the use of Propofol will **not be reimbursed except** when it is specifically required and approved by the *FITWAY* Medical Advisory Board, in cases where a client cannot be sedated with standard moderate sedation.
- Pathology fees

SECTION IX: SCREENING & DIAGNOSTIC RESULTS

A. Colorectal Cancer Screening- FIT test

- **Normal Results**

When the FIT is performed and the result is normal/negative, it is the Screening Provider's responsibility to: 1) have a system in place to notify the patient of the results; 2) follow-up with patients who fail to return their FITs; **see page 12, Unreturned FITs**; and 3) have a reminder system in place which allows for notification of patients prior to their due date for annual re-screening

- **Abnormal Results**

It is the responsibility of the Screening Provider to:

- ✓ Notify the patient of any abnormal results
- ✓ Refer any patient with an abnormal FIT to a *FITWAY* –contracted diagnostic provider for colonoscopy
- ✓ **Follow-up and document all attempts to reach the FIT + patient who fail to keep their diagnostic colonoscopy appointment (See page 13 for referral requirements)**
- ✓ Maintain, as a part of the patient's permanent medical record, all documentation including dates of services, test results, related educational counseling, resulting recommendations, referrals, diagnostic procedure results, and any treatment needed

- Adequacy of Follow-up for Patients with Abnormal Screening Results

A patient who's FIT is abnormal must be referred for a diagnostic colonoscopy to arrive at a final diagnosis, as defined by the program's Medical Advisory Board (MAB).

- Timeliness of Follow-up for Patients with Abnormal Screening Results - **From screening to final diagnosis of either colorectal cancer or no colorectal cancer, the diagnostic work-up must be completed within 90 days.**

B. Diagnostic Test Results- Colonoscopy: It is the Diagnostic Provider's responsibility to:

- ✓ Have a system in place to notify the patient (and their Screening Provider) of any diagnostic test results
- ✓ Have a reminder system in place which allows for continued screening or surveillance of patients as required
- ✓ Alert the FITWAY Program Coordinator of any diagnoses of cancer so that the patient can be referred for immediate treatment. **Note: Treatment must begin within 60 days of diagnosis of colorectal cancer.**
- **Normal Result:** When the colonoscopy is performed and the result is normal or hyperplastic polyps are found and removed, the patient will remain in the *FITWAY* Program with subsequent colonoscopies considered as Screening and to be repeated at intervals determined by the Diagnostic Provider.
- **Abnormal Result - Cancer diagnosis**

If a diagnosis of cancer is made, the Diagnostic Provider must contact the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator for referral for treatment. **The interval between diagnosis and initiation of treatment for colorectal cancer must be 60 days or less.**

NOTE: The *FITWAY* Program will not pay for any treatment-related services. This policy is stated in the guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention which controls the funding for the *FITWAY* Program; **however, voluntary cancer treatment facilities will provide treatment for the cancer patient at no charge.** These treatment facilities will have total discretion in this matter.

- Adequacy of Follow-up for Patients with Abnormal Colonoscopy Results
 - ✓ Patients who have adenomas found and removed will remain in the program under "Surveillance, with subsequent colonoscopy to be repeated at an interval determined by the Diagnostic Provider.
 - ✓ **A patient in whom colorectal cancer has been diagnosed must be referred for appropriate treatment within 60 days.** Following treatment, the patient remains in the program under Surveillance and is indicated to receive a repeat colonoscopy per doctor recommendations.
 - ✓ Patients who are diagnosed with other conditions such as ulcerative colitis must be referred back to their primary care physician to receive further treatment as needed.

PROGRAM FORMS

AND

DATA COLLECTION

SECTION X: FITWAY PROGRAM FORMS AND DATA COLLECTION

A. Purpose

The *FITWAY* Program is required by CDC to collect specific data elements pertaining to Alabama's colorectal cancer program. CDC will use this data and data from other states to report to Congress on the manner in which dollars are being spent. The data collected from the *FITWAY* Program forms provides important evidence to funding agencies (the Alabama State Legislature and the federal government) that monies provided are serving clients who are eligible and in need of the *FITWAY* program.

These data elements are collected:

- To ensure the clients receive colorectal cancer screening tests at appropriate intervals
- To ensure the clients are referred for timely follow-up and are provided diagnostic and treatment services if necessary
- To ensure that the program is reaching the in-need segment of the population
- To collect data on race, ethnic origin, marital status, education, the referral source, and how the client heard about the program
- To ensure the clients are sent reminders of screening times
- To evaluate the effectiveness of the *FITWAY* Program

B. Form Completion and Submission for Payment

The *FITWAY* Program will use four forms to collect required patient consent, demographic, clinical, and service-related cost information. These forms are the:

- 1- *FITWAY Informed Consent/ Release of Information Form*
- 2- *FITWAY Patient Eligibility/Risk Assessment/Screening Form*
- 3- *FITWAY Diagnostic Procedures Form*
- 4- *Health Insurance Claims Form 1500 Billing Form*

- The program's *Patient Consent Form* must be signed prior to services, and the original document maintained in the patient's medical record
- Appropriate forms should be completed at the time of service and mailed to the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator within 60 days after the date of service
- Copies of all forms must be kept in the client's file
- All forms can be printed from the *FITWAY* Program web site

The Patient Eligibility/Risk Assessment/Screening Form:

- To provide documentation of the eligibility, CRC risk assessment, and the CRC screening results for every patient enrolled in the *FITWAY* Program
- To serve as the monthly data report on provider activity and the documentation for billing
- Generated by the Screening Provider at the time of the colorectal screening
- The results of screening tests should be carefully recorded so that patients receive adequate follow up and providers receive proper payment

The Diagnostic Procedures Form:

- Cases where diagnostic colonoscopy is necessary after a positive FIT to determine cancer status
- To provide documentation of the tests performed and tracking information needed for follow up

The Diagnostic Provider is also responsible for providing the primary provider with a copy of the tests results, final diagnosis, tumor size, and treatment if necessary

C. How to Change Client Information

If there are changes in client information after you have submitted the screening forms or follow-up forms for that client, notify the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator in writing of the change to be made. Include in your note the following, so that the correct record is changed:

- Client's Name that is currently in CRC program records
- Social Security Number
- Date of Birth
- Client's Medical Record Number
- FIT test date
- Name that the current name will be changed to

CASE MANAGEMENT

AND

PATIENT NAVIGATION

SECTION XI: FITWAY CASE MANAGEMENT & PATIENT NAVIGATION

The *FITWAY* case management and patient navigation services exist to:

- To ensure patient support services for participants referred for endoscopic services in order to support screening adherence
- To establish a tracking system to ensure appropriate follow-up for participants needing diagnostic and treatment services
- To ensure the provision of patient support services to facilitate access to diagnostic and treatment services is in place

A. Individual Patient Case Management Process

Screening Providers will be responsible for informing patients of the availability of case management services when they are enrolled into the *FITWAY* program. The *FITWAY* Informed Consent Form addresses case management and the possibility of referral if abnormal screening results occur. If at any time the provider is doing in-house case management and needs assistance, the *FITWAY* Program Coordinator should be contacted for help. The Program Coordinator would, in turn, contact the Case Management Coordinator, if needed. Providers will be encouraged to refer patients as soon as possible.

The Program Coordinator keeps a log of abnormal results as they are identified from initial or repeat exam data that is sent to them. Patients who are screened by a *FITWAY* provider and have abnormal FIT results should be assessed for case management needs. A definitive diagnosis of cancer would also require immediate assessment, and in addition, require notification of the Program Coordinator. The Program Coordinator will notify the state *FITWAY* staff. If the provider believes case management can be accomplished in-house, then the documentation may be done directly in the patient chart.

The Screening Providers must indicate whether the *FITWAY* case management staff or they will manage the patient's follow-up care. The Program Coordinator will document that information. If the *FITWAY* staff is to do the case management, the assessment process will be initiated and a patient file will be established in the Program Coordinator's office. A copy of the patient's case management plan will be provided to the primary provider to be included in the medical record.

In the event that no follow-up for an abnormal test was completed, the Program Coordinator will contact the provider. If the Screening Provider prefers to continue with a plan of care, the Program Coordinator should document the Provider's plan and determine the next date the Provider will be contacted for follow-up. That patient will be placed in an ACTIVE file with that provider's name, in the Program Coordinator office, with a copy to the Case Management Coordinator (CMC).

The Program Coordinator will review ACTIVE patients with the Provider's staff on a monthly basis to determine if the case management process is completed. Once the process is complete, it will be documented and the patient will be moved to an INACTIVE file with the Provider's name.

B. Assessment

Assessment is the process of appraising the need for intervention based on information gathered by the case manager (CM) and objective evaluation of relevant data. Once the patient has been identified and it is determined that FITWAY will provide the case management, the Program Coordinator will evaluate to the patient's support system, barriers to care, and cultural concerns. Goals and a plan will be established, with the patient being encouraged to participate. A copy of the plan will be sent to the Screening Provider and a copy maintained in the *FITWAY* patient file. The Program Coordinator must also validate that a consent form has been signed and is on-file at the Screening Provider's office. If the patient refuses case management, appropriate documentation will be sent to the provider, and a copy maintained in the patient's file.

C. Planning

Planning for the patient's needs based on the assessment is the next essential step in the CM process. A written plan will be developed and documented by the Program Coordinator that will define goals, related time frames, and activities, as well as who is responsible for which activity. This can be accomplished on the phone with the patient being involved in the planning. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for informing the patient in advance whether or not a service is covered by the *FITWAY* Program. At this point, a copy of the plan will be sent to the Screening Provider, the CMC, and a copy maintained in the patient's *FITWAY* file.

D. Coordination

Coordination is basically a brokerage, coordination, and referral of services to meet the needs of the patient as outlined in the written plan. The Program Coordinator will work with the providers and the patient to assist with the coordination of services. These may be related but not limited to barriers such as transportation issues, need of an interpreter, child care, elder care, and emotional support.

E. Monitoring

The process of monitoring is an ongoing re-assessment of the quality of care and services provided to the patient and if those services are meeting the patient's needs. The plan will be updated monthly by the Program Coordinator to determine if new and continued needs are being met. A copy of the plan with the updated information will be sent to CMC. If there is a problem in obtaining the goals established in the patient's plan, the CMC should be contacted for additional help.

F. Resource Development

The case manager should work with the patient to promote self-sufficiency and self-determination. To help accomplish this, the CM should work to assure that the patient gains the knowledge, skills, and support needed to obtain necessary services.

Because of the number of individuals that may be involved in the case management process it is imperative that the professionals involved remain in communication with each other. That would involve the faxing, mailing, or phoning of all information and documentation that is available. All efforts and activities of the case management process must be DOCUMENTED and placed in the patient's chart.

GLOSSARY

ADPH	Alabama Department of Public Health
Program Coordinator	The Program Coordinator is responsible for the coordination of screening services in designated counties.
CM	Case management
CMC	Case Management Coordinator
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Central Office Staff	<i>FITWAY</i> Program staff at the state level
Contract	Legal binding agreement between <i>FITWAY</i> Program providers and ADPH for payment of services rendered
Enrollee	An eligible client or patient enrolled in the <i>FITWAY</i> Program
FITWAY Program	<i>FITWAY</i> Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program
Screening Provider	Refers to the health department and primary care facilities, or private primary providers under contract with the Alabama Department of Public Health to provide FIT screening services
Providers	Refers to physicians, hospitals, rural health clinics, ADPH clinics, and laboratories that have agreed to participate in the <i>FITWAY</i> Program and provide services to patients who meet eligibility requirements
Diagnostic Provider	Refers to a GI specialist, surgeons, hospital, facilities responsible for diagnostic colonoscopy for enrollees with positive FIT tests.
Screening Cycle	Cycles begin with a FIT test and remain unchanged through the diagnostic phase, if needed; i.e., through colonoscopy, polypectomy, tissue/ pathology testing, a diagnosis of colorectal cancer or no colorectal cancer, and to the initiation of treatment in the event of colorectal cancer.
Treatment Facility	Refers to hospitals, cancer centers and/or treatment facilities who have volunteered to provide cancer treatments to participants diagnosed with colorectal cancer through the <i>FITWAY</i> Program, at no cost to the patient

Appendices

Appendix A

Program Forms

FITWAY INFORMED CONSENT/RELEASE OF INFORMATION FORM

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The FITWAY Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program (FITWAY Program) is a cooperative effort between clinics and doctors, the Alabama Department of Public Health, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to encourage recommended colorectal cancer screening among Alabamians. Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in Alabama. Yet, with proper screenings and follow-up diagnostic procedures when needed, the incidence and mortality of this cancer can be greatly reduced because pre-cancerous polyps can be identified and removed before they have a chance to develop into cancer.

You will be able to receive colorectal cancer screening and diagnostic services, if needed, for FREE under the FITWAY program if you meet all of the following requirements:

- 1- You are between the ages of 50-64 years
- 2- You meet current income eligibility requirements for this program
- 3- You currently have no GI symptoms
- 4- You are at average risk for developing colorectal cancer
- 5- You currently are enrolled with a health care provider

If you are diagnosed with colorectal cancer through this program, you will be referred to a voluntary cancer treatment facility with in Alabama in order to obtain necessary cancer treatment, at no charge to you.

CONSENT FOR SERVICES/RELEASE INFORMATION

I have read the above and understand the explanation about the FITWAY Alabama Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program and hereby consent to receive the health services as indicated. By agreeing to take part in this program, I give permission to any and all of my doctors, clinics, diagnostic facilities and/or hospitals to provide all information concerning my colorectal cancer screenings, diagnostic procedures, and treatment procedures to the FITWAY Program which may include referral to case managers employed by the Alabama Department of Public Health. Any information released to the program will remain confidential, which means that the information will be available only to me and the employees of the Alabama Department of Public Health working with this program. The information will be used only to meet the purposes of the program described above, and any published reports which result from this program will not identify me by name. I understand that my participation in this program is voluntary and that I may drop out of the program and withdraw my consent to release information at any time.

Signature _____

Clinic/ MD Name _____

Name _____
(Please Print) Last First MI

NOTE: CLINICS/DOCTORS MAY SUGGEST OR OFFER SERVICES WHICH ARE NOT PART OF THE FITWAY PROGRAM. IF YOU DECIDE TO USE THESE SERVICES, THEY WILL NOT BE PAID FOR BY THE FITWAY PROGRAM.

FITWAY Patient Eligibility / Risk Assessment/ Screening Form

Tracking #:

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Medical Record #: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Gender: __ M __ F Today's date: _____

Name: _____ SS #: ____/____/____
First Middle Initial Last

Address: _____ Residence County: _____

City/Town State Zip Code Telephone #: (____) _____

Ethnicity: __ Hispanic __ non-Hispanic Race: (Check all that apply) __ White __ Black __ Asian __ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander __ American Indian or Alaska Native __ Unknown

Do you use Tobacco Products? YES ____ (Refer to Tobacco Cessation Hotline: 1-800-784-8669)

Patient Medical History: Patients answering YES to ques. 1-4 are NOT ELIGIBLE for enrollment into the FITWAY Program

- 1) Have you ever been diagnosed with colorectal cancer or pre-cancerous polyps? __ YES __ No __ Unknown
- 2) Has your mother, father, brother(s), sister(s) or child ever been diagnosed with colorectal cancer? __ YES __ No __ Unknown
- 3) Have you ever been diagnosed with inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn's Disease), FAP, or Lynch Syndrome/ HNPCC? __ YES __ No __ Unknown
- 4) Are you currently having any of the following symptoms?
 __ Unexplained, significant weight loss (10% or more of regular body weight)
 __ Consistently narrow stools (example: the size of a pencil)
 __ Blood mixed throughout the stool (more than slight bleeding seen on tissue or in the toilet bowl)

NOTE: If a patient is currently experiencing a hemorrhoidal flare-up, they ARE ELIGIBLE for enrollment in the Program; however, the patient should wait until the flare-up is over before completing their FIT.

5. Have you ever had a colorectal screening test? __ Yes __ No If Yes, which test? __ Take-home FIT __ Take-home FOBT
 __ Sigmoidoscopy __ Colonoscopy __ DCBE __ CT colonoscopy __ Stool DNA

6. Screening Provider's Name: _____
 Provider Specialty: __ General Practitioner __ Internist __ Family Practitioner __ Gastroenterologist
 __ General Surgeon __ Colorectal Surgeon __ LPN __ RN __ Nurse Practitioner
 __ Physician Assistant __ OB/GYN __ CHD __ Radiologist

7. Date FIT given to Patient: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY) 8. Indication for FIT: ____ Screening

9. Date FIT returned: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

10. Date FIT tested: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

11. Result of FIT cards (the more severe of the two)

- __ FIT Negative (no further testing needed in this Cycle)
 __ FIT Positive Patient must be referred for diagnostic colonoscopy.
 __ FIT pending/unsatisfactory result

12. Screening Adherence:

__ FIT returned and tested __ FIT pending
 __ FIT not returned __ Appt. not kept

Documented Follow-up for Unreturned FITs:

____ Phone call Date: ____/____/____
 ____ Postcard Date: ____/____/____
 ____ Letter Date: ____/____/____

Diagnostic Provider Name: _____

Diagnostic Provider Telephone: (____) _____

Date of Diagnostic Colonoscopy: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

FITWAY Diagnostic Procedures Form

TRACKING #:

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Medical Record #: _____ SS #: _____ / _____ / _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
First Middle Initial Last MM DD YYYY

Referring Provider: _____ Reason for Referral: _____

Diagnostic Physician: _____ Phone Number: _____

Diag. Provider Specialty: Gastroenterologist General Surgeon Colorectal Surgeon Internist Radiologist Other

1. Date of Diagnostic Test: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY) 2. Test performed: Colonoscopy DCBE Other _____

3. Was bowel preparation adequate? Y N* 4. Was biopsy/polypectomy performed during endoscopy? Y** N

5. **Diag. Test Results:** Normal/Negative/diverticulosis/hemorrhoids Other finding not suggestive of cancer or polyps
 Polyp(s) or lesions suspicious for cancer Inadequate/ Incomplete test with no findings † Pending

6. **Was the cecum reached during colonoscopy?** Y N*
 *INCOMPLETE; REQUIRES FOLLOW-UP TESTING

7. **Recommended next follow-up test within cycle:** Colonoscopy DCBE Surgery *** other _____

8. **Date of next follow-up test:** ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

****Histology of most severe polyp/lesion:** choose one

Normal or other non-polyp histology
 Non-adenomatous polyp (inflammatory, hamartomatous, etc.)
 Hyperplastic polyp
 Adenoma, NOS (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, tubular (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, mixed tubular villous (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, villous (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, serrated (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma with high grade dysplasia (includes in situ carcinoma)
 Adenocarcinoma, invasive
 Carcinoma, other
 Unknown / other lesion ablated, not retrieved or confirmed

Total # of adenomatous polyps/lesions: 1-96 >97 ≥1, exact# unk, unk #

Size of the largest adenomatous polyp/lesion: 1cm ≥1 cm unk size

*****Surgical resection to complete final diagnosis:**
 Date of surgery: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

*****Histology for most severe polyp/lesion:** choose one

Surgery recommended but not performed
 Normal or other non-polyp histology
 Non-adenomatous polyp (inflammatory, hamartomatous, etc.)
 Hyperplastic polyp
 Adenoma, NOS (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, tubular (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, mixed tubular villous (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, villous (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma, serrated (no high grade dysplasia noted)
 Adenoma with high grade dysplasia (includes in situ carcinoma)
 Adenocarcinoma, invasive
 Carcinoma, other
 Unknown / other lesion ablated, not retrieved or confirmed

Complications of endoscopy/DCBE: 2 worse complications only

None reported
 Bleeding requiring transfusion
 Bleeding not requiring transfusion
 Cardiopulmonary event (hypotension, hypoxia, arrhythmia, etc.)
 Complications related to anesthesia
 Bowel perforation
 Post-polypectomy syndrome/excessive abdominal pain
 Death
 Unknown Other _____

Final diagnosis: Date of final dx: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)
 Normal/ negative
 Hyperplastic polyps
 Adenomatous polyp, no high grade dysplasia
 Adenomatous polyp, with high grade dysplasia
 cancer; Is this cancer: new primary CRC or
 non-CRC primary (metastasis from other organ)

Number of months before NEXT TEST CYCLE: _____
 (NOTE: must be ≥ 12 and up to 180 months)

Indication for next testing cycle:
 Screening Surveillance after a positive colonoscopy

Recommended Test for next testing cycle:
 FIT Colonoscopy DCBE None

Status of treatment:

Treatment started and/ or completed¹
 Treatment pending
 Treatment not indicated due to polypectomy²
 Treatment not recommended due to time lapse²
 Treatment refused²
 Lost to follow-up²

¹Date of Treatment: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)
²Close-out Date: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM

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DCA PCA

1. MEDICARE <input type="checkbox"/> (Medicare #) MEDICAID <input type="checkbox"/> (Medicaid #) TRICARE <input type="checkbox"/> (Sponsor's SSN) CHAMPVA <input type="checkbox"/> (Member ID#) GROUP HEALTH PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> (SSN or ID) FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' MEDICAL PROGRAM <input type="checkbox"/> (SSN) OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> (NO)		1a. INSURED'S I.D. NUMBER (For Program in Item 1)	
2. PATIENT'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)		3. PATIENT'S BIRTH DATE MM DD YY SEX M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. PATIENT'S ADDRESS (No., Street) CITY STATE ZIP CODE TELEPHONE (include Area Code) ()		4. INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)	
8. OTHER INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial)		6. PATIENT'S RELATIONSHIP TO INSURED Self <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Child <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
9. OTHER INSURED'S POLICY OR GROUP NUMBER		7. INSURED'S ADDRESS (No., Street) CITY STATE ZIP CODE TELEPHONE (include Area Code) ()	
10. IS PATIENT'S CONDITION RELATED TO:		11. INSURED'S POLICY GROUP OR FECA NUMBER	
12. PATIENT'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE (I authorize the release of any medical or other information necessary to process this claim. I also request payment of government benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment of benefits.) SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____		13. INSURED'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE (I authorize payment of medical benefits to the undersigned physician or supplier for services described below.) SIGNED: _____	
14. DATE OF CURRENT ILLNESS (If first symptom of injury (Accident) OR PREGNANCY (LMP)) MM DD YY		15. IF PATIENT HAS HAD SAME OR SIMILAR ILLNESS, GIVE FIRST DATE MM DD YY	
17. NAME OF REFERRING PROVIDER OR OTHER SOURCE		16. DATES PATIENT UNABLE TO WORK IN CURRENT OCCUPATION FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY	
18. RESERVED FOR LOCAL USE		18. HOSPITALIZATION DATES RELATED TO CURRENT SERVICES FROM MM DD YY TO MM DD YY	
21. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY (Refer to Items 1, 2, 3 or 4 to Item 24E by Line #)		20. OUTS OF LABY \$ CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____		22. MEDICAID RESUBMISSION CODE ORIGINAL REF. NO.	
24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE From MM DD YY To MM DD YY		23. PRIOR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER	
B. PLACE OF SERVICE		24. B. PROCEDURE(S), SERVICE(S), OR SUPPLIES (Specify Unusual Circumstances)	
C. ICD-9-CM		D. CPT/HCPCS MODIFIER	
E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER		F. CHARGES	
G. TYPE OF UNIT		H. PROCEDURE No.	
I. ICD-9-CM		J. REFERRING PROVIDER ID #	
25. FEDERAL TAX I.D. NUMBER SSN EIN <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		26. PATIENT'S ACCOUNT NO.	
27. ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT? (For gov. plans, Medicare) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		28. TOTAL CHARGE \$	
29. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREE(S) OR CREDENTIALS (I certify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)		29. AMOUNT PAID \$	
30. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION		30. BALANCE DUE \$	
31. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PH # ()		a. NPI b. NPI	

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Appendix B

Approved CPT Codes & Reimbursement Rates

2012 FITWAY Allowable CPT Codes (Modifiers are to be reported with appropriate CPT codes at the discretion of the Provider or Facility)

Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT)		
CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate
G0328/ 82274	Colorectal cancer screening by FIT	\$22.53
Office Visits		
CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate
99201	New Patient; history, exam, straightforward decision-making; 10 minutes	\$38.80
99211	Established Patient; evaluation and management, may not require presence of physician; 5 minutes	\$17.94
Consultation/Referral Visits		
99202	New Patient; Consultation, <i>expanded</i> history, exam, straightforward decision-making; 20 minutes	\$66.55
99203	New Patient; Consultation, <i>detailed</i> history, exam, straightforward decision-making; 30 minutes	\$96.32
99212	Established Patient; Consultation, history, exam, straightforward decision-making; 10 minutes	\$38.80
99213	Established Patient; Consultation, <i>expanded</i> history, exam, straightforward decision-making; 15 minutes	\$64.93

Colonoscopy

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description- NF= non-facility fee (Global), FF= facility fee, FS= surgeon fee	Non-facility Reimbursement Rate (NF)	Facility Fee (FF)-Hospital	Facility Surgeon Fee or Ambulatory surgery center surgeon's fee (FS)	Ambulatory Surgery center (ASC)
45378	Diagnostic colonoscopy, flexible, proximal to splenic flexure; with or without collection of specimens by brushing or washing, with or without colon decompression	\$360.75	\$200.86	\$200.86	\$190.82
45378-53*(see Note)	Interrupted diagnostic colonoscopy, flexible, proximal to splenic flexure; with or without collection of specimens by brushing or washing, with or without colon decompression	\$127.58	\$58.54	\$58.54	na
45380	Colonoscopy and biopsy, single or multiple	\$431.16	\$240.79	\$240.79	\$228.75
45381	Colonoscopy, with directed submucosal injection, any substance	\$429.52	\$228.39	\$228.39	\$216.97
45382	Colonoscopy/with control bleeding	\$563.12	\$307.00	\$307.00	\$291.65
45383	Colonoscopy/lesion, polyp(s), tumor removal not amenable to removal by hot biopsy forceps, bipolar cautery or snare	\$520.16	\$311.27	\$311.27	\$295.71
45384	Colonoscopy/lesion, polyp(s), tumor removal with hot biopsy forceps or bipolar cautery	\$428.13	\$250.91	\$250.91	\$238.36
45385	Colonoscopy/ lesion, polyp(s), tumor removal by snare technique	\$485.88	\$285.65	\$285.65	\$271.37
G0105	Surveillance colonoscopy only: for use with FITWAY patients with previous abnormal colonoscopies with adenomas or cancer	\$360.75	\$200.86	\$200.86	\$190.82

Sigmoidoscopy

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate (NF)	Facility Fee (FF)	Facility Surgeon Fee (FS)
45330	Diagnostic sigmoidoscopy	\$127.58	\$58.54	\$58.54
45331	Sigmoidoscopy and biopsy	\$152.62	\$70.14	\$70.14
45333	Sigmoidoscopy & polypectomy	\$270.32	\$101.77	\$101.77
45334	Sigmoidoscopy for bleeding	\$152.11	na	na
45335	Sigmoidoscopy w/submuc inj	\$246.16	\$85.38	\$85.38
45338	Sigmoidoscopy w/tumor, polyp(s) removal by snare	\$293.29	\$131.02	\$131.02
45339	Sigmoidoscopy w/ablation of tumor, polyp(s) not amenable to removal by hot biopsy forceps, bipolar cautery or snare technique	\$311.86	\$172.60	\$172.60

Barium Enema, Note: -26 modifier=Professional component; TC=Technical component

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate	Professional-26	Technical
74270	Radiologic exam, colon; contrast barium enema, w or w/o KUB	\$107.07	\$31.90	\$75.17
74280	Radiologic exam, colon; air contrast w high dens. barium , w or w/o glucagon	\$170.34	\$45.56	\$124.78

Pathology, Note: -26 modifier=Professional component; TC=Technical component

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate	Professional-26	Technical
88300	Surgical path, gross only	\$24.86	\$4.08	\$20.78
88302	Surgical path, gross and microscopic (review level II)	\$49.28	\$6.08	\$43.20

88304	Surgical path, gross and microscopic (review level III)	\$55.03	\$10.34	\$44.69
88305	Surgical path, gross and microscopic, colon, colorectal polyp biopsy (review level VI)	\$95.78	\$34.66	\$61.13
88307	Surgical path, gross and microscopic, colon, segmental resection other than for tumor (review level V)	\$211.82	\$75.39	\$136.44
88309	Surgical path, gross and microscopic, colon, segmental resection for tumor or total resection (review level VI)	\$322.11	\$132.46	\$189.66
88342	Immunohistochemistry, each antibody	\$95.62	\$38.98	\$56.64

Anesthesia

NOTE: 1-The use of Propofol will not be reimbursed.

2-If a client fails standard moderate sedation, anesthesia may be used to complete the endoscopic procedure.

Documentation should be provided to support the use of anesthesia on a case-by-case basis.

Surgery or surgical staging may be required to provide a histological diagnosis of cancer. All surgery for diagnostic purposes must be approved in advance by the FITWAY MAB

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate	Nurse	Doctor
810	Anesthesia for lower intestinal endoscopy procedures, endoscope introduced distal to duodenum	\$20.14 per unit [15 min.]	\$10.07	\$10.07
810-1	810-1 is the base amount (5 units)	100.70	\$50.35	\$50.35
810-6	Base plus one unit	120.84	\$60.42	\$60.42

Electrocardiogram

CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate
93000	Electrocardiogram, complete, at least 12 leads w/interp. and report	\$17.17
93005	routine ECG w/ 12 leads; tracing only w/o interp. and report	\$9.13

93010	routine ECG w/ 12 leads; tracing only with interp. and report	\$8.04
93040	rhythm ECG, 1-3 leads; with interp. and report	\$11.70
93041	rhythm ECG, 1-3 leads; tracing only w/o interp. and report	\$4.94
93042	rhythm ECG, 1-3 leads with interp. and report	\$6.76
Blood Work		
CPT Code	Current Procedural Description	Reimbursement Rate
80053	Comprehensive metabolic panel- must include albumin, total bilirubin, calcium, CO2 (bicarbonate), chloride, creatinine, glucose, alkaline phosphatase, potassium, total protein, sodium, transferase-Alanine amino, transferase-Aspartate amino, urea nitrogen	\$14.97
80048	Basic metabolic panel (calcium, total)	\$11.98
85025	Blood count, complete CBC, automated differential WBC count	\$11.02
85027	Blood count, complete CBC	\$6.56
85610	Prothrombin time	\$5.56
85730	PTT; plasma or whole blood	\$8.50

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Appendix C

Medical Advisory Board

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Appendix D

Enrollment Flow Chart

FITWAY FLOW CHART

1. **Resident of Alabama** YES: _____
2. **Age:** Must be **50-64 years** YES: _____
3. **Insurance Status: Must be uninsured or inadequately insured** YES: _____
 - An individual with no health insurance
 - An individual with insurance which does not cover colorectal cancer services
4. **Must be enrolled with a primary health care provider** YES: _____
5. **Health Care Provider located in Alabama:** YES _____
6. **Income at or Below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level** YES: _____
 (Proof of income is not required. The individual's declaration statement is sufficient.)

2012 Income Eligibility Guidelines:		
Household Size	Annual	Monthly *
1	\$21,780	\$1,815
2	\$29,420	\$2,452
3	\$37,060	\$3,088
4	\$44,700	\$3,725
5	\$52,340	\$4,362
6	\$59,980	\$4,998
7	\$67,620	\$5,635
8	\$75,260	\$6,272

Each additional household member, add \$7,640 annual or \$637 monthly

*Based on DHHS Poverty Guidelines issued 1/2011.
Effective February 1, 2011 until revised

7. If answers to q. 1-6 are acceptable, determine the patient's medical history eligibility by using Questions 1-4 on the FITWAY Patient Eligibility/Risk Assessment/Screening form. If eligible, go to STEP 8

- 8. In Med-it, enroll and obtain tracking #:**
- a) In top left corner, select **CRC** from dropdown
 - b) " Add New Client", left, under Client Info
 - c) Fill-in patient demographic information
 - d) Hit "Add Client"
 - e) See "New patient was successfully added": hit OK

- **If client is already in the system**, Med-it will indicate "**Possible Duplicates**" after you enter the DOB or SS#
- Hit on "**Possible Duplicates**" and the client's information will be opened. **Go to Steps f-l**

OR

- **If a client is already in Med-it having been enrolled through another provider**, a warning message will appear concerning a HIPAA violation.
- Hit "Accept" and give an explanation of what occurred with the client. **Go to Steps f-l**

- f) Go to bottom of the page and hit "Set Appointment"
 - g) Answer Eligibility questions; "Accept"
 - h) On next screen, fill-in all info, "Appointment Date" (today's date), Provider
 - i) Hit "Update/Set Appointment"
 - j) See Appointment information & **the system will generate the Tracking #**
 - k) "Download PDF" and print off; place in client's chart
 - l) Have patient sign the ***FITWAY Informed Consent/Release of Information form***; **keep in chart**
- Go to Step 9, next page**

9. Provide detailed patient instruction:

- **On how to complete the FIT and its return to your office for testing, all according to manufacturer's instructions**
- **Follow-up with patient if FIT is not returned**
- File tracking card appropriately
- The need for early detection of pre-cancerous polyps and adherence to recommended CRC screening guidelines

10. Test the FIT cards immediately upon return.

If Negative:

1. Send report to patient
2. Re-screen in 1 year
3. Turn-in all forms to FITWAY Program Coordinator

If Positive:

1. **Refer patient to a diagnostic provider for colonoscopy; See "Referrals" section of the Provider Manual, page 13**
2. Turn in all forms to FITWAY Program Coordinator

All Providers must make every effort to have timely follow-up and referral for any abnormal results. **From screening to final diagnosis, the diagnostic work-up must be completed within 90 days.**

Diagnostic Provider must let the Screening Provider know if FIT + patient fails to keep their diagnostic appointment.

- Provide colonoscopy or required procedure for a final diagnosis of cancer or no cancer
- Provide Screening Provider and FITWAY Program Coordinator with outcomes including results, final diagnosis, tumor size and need for treatment, if necessary. **The interval between diagnosis of CRC and initiation of treatment should not exceed 60 days.**
- Return Diagnostic Form with HICF-1500 form to FITWAY Program Coordinator for payment of services

Appendix E

Federally-Qualified Health Centers

Federally Qualified Health Center's (FQHC's), Provider Based Rural Health Clinics (PBRHC's) and Independent Rural Health Centers (IRHC's) by County revised June, 2012

AUTAUGA

HEALTH SERVICES, INC (FQHC)

Autaugaville Family Health Center
203 Taylor Street
Autaugaville, Alabama 36003 Phone: 334-365-4524

BALDWIN

FRANKLIN PRIMARY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

Loxley Family Medical Center
1083 East Pelham Drive
Loxley, Alabama 36551 Phone: 251-964-4011

BALDWIN FAMILY HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)

1628 No. McKenzie St. Ste. 102
Foley, Alabama 36535 Phone: 251-947-1083

Loxley Family Dental Center (FQHC)

3147 First Avenue
Loxley, Alabama 36551 Phone: 251-964-2404

BARBOUR

SOUTHEAST ALABAMA RURAL HEALTH (FQHC)

Clayton Medical Center
7 Western Bypass
Clayton, Alabama 36016 Phone: 334-775-3235

Health Services Inc (FQHC)

Eufaula Internal Medicine
826 W. Washington Street
Eufaula, Alabama 36027 Phone: 334-687-8051

MCB Family Clinic (PBRHC)

31 Railroad St.
Louisville, Alabama 36048 Phone: 334-266-5110

BIBB

WHATLEY HEALTH SERVICES, INC (FQHC)

West Blocton Family Health Center
345 Magnolia Street
West Blocton, Alabama 35184 Phone: 205-938-9508

BIBB MEDICAL ASSOC RURAL HEALTH (PBRHC)

405 Belcher Street
Centreville, Alabama 35042 Phone: 205-926-4694

CAHABA MEDICAL CARE (IRHC)

195 Hospital Dr.
Centreville, Alabama 35042 Phone: 205-926-2992

BLOUNT

BHC-BLOUNT AND ETOWAH (IRHC)

180 Medical Street
Snead, Alabama 35952 Phone: 205-466-7114

BHC-BLOUNT AND ETOWAH (IRHC)

150 Gilbreath Dr. Suite 201
Oneonta, Alabama 35121 Phone: 205-274-8198

BLOUNT COUNTY QUALITY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

1000 Lincoln Avenue – Suite A-2
Oneonta, Alabama 35121 Phone: 205-274-9799

BULLOCK

PERFECT KIDS AND FAMILY CARE (PBRHC)

308 No. Prairie St

Union Springs, Alabama 36089 Phone: 334-738-1500

BUTLER

TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER, INC (FQHC)

Georgiana Clinic
138 West Jones St.

Georgiana, Alabama 36033 Phone: 334-376-0078

GREENVILLE PEDIATRICS (IRHC)

84 LV Stabler Drive

Greenville, Alabama 36037 Phone: 334-382-9760

SOUTH BUTLER MEDICAL CLINIC (PBRHC)

125 Church Street

Georgiana, Alabama 36033 Phone: 334-376-2291

CALHOUN

ANNISTON QUALITY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

1316 Noble Street

Anniston, Alabama 36201-1202 Phone: 256-236-0221

NORTHEAST REGIONAL CARE CENTER (FQHC)

309 East 8th Street

Anniston, Alabama 36202 Phone: 256-492-0131

CHAMBERS

CENTRAL ALABAMA COMPREHENSIVE (FQHC)

LaFayette Health Center

404 B. Ninth Ave. SouthEast

LaFayette, Alabama 36862 Phone: 334-727-6880

CHEROKEE

CHEROKEE QUALITY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

4055 Al Highway 9 – Suite 8

Cedar Bluff, Alabama 35959 Phone: 256-779-6057

CHEROKEE CLINIC (IRHC)

395 Northwood Drive

Centre, Alabama 35960 Phone: 256-927-4900

CHOCTAW

FRANKLIN MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)

Gilbertown Clinic

140 Front Street Suite 4

Gilbertown, Alabama 36908 Phone: 251-843-5537

CHOCTAW URGENT CARE (PBRHC)

One Independence Sq. # 1C

Butler, Alabama 36904 Phone: 205-459-4488

CLARKE

COFFEEVILLE MEDICAL CLINIC (PBRHC)

12 Long Avenue

Coffeeville, Alabama 36524 Phone: 251-276-0147

GROVE HILL HEALTH CARE (PBRHC)

295 South Jackson Street

Grove Hill, Alabama 36451 Phone: 251-275-3173

IMC-FAMILY MEDICAL OF JACKSON, PC (IRHC)

227 Hospital Drive

Jackson, Alabama 36545 Phone: 251-246-4446

FULTON FAMILY MEDICAL (IRHC)

218 Main Street

Fulton, Alabama 36446 Phone: 334-636-4823

CLEBURNE

CLEBURNE QUALITY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

242 Brockford Road
Heflin, Alabama 36264 Phone: 256-463-2021

COFFEE
SOUTHEAST ALABAMA RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (FQHC)

Enterprise Children's Center
105 East Watts Street
Enterprise, Alabama 36330 Phone: 334-393-5437

COLBERT
FAMILY HEALTH CARE CLINIC (FQHC)

102 Physicians Drive Suite B
Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35616 Phone: 256-389-9797

CONECUH
TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)

Evergreen Clinic
316 South Main Street
Evergreen, Alabama 35401 Phone: 251-578-1163

COOSA
MERIT HEALTHCARE INC. GOODWATER (PBRHC)

1229 South Main Ave
Goodwater, Alabama 35072 Phone: 256-839-5900

GOODWATER FAMILY (FQHC)

625 So. Main St.
Goodwater, Alabama Phone: 256-839-1758

COVINGTON
TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)

Red Level Clinic
29080 Smiley Street
Red Level, Alabama 36474 Phone: 334-469-5311

COVINGTON PEDIATRICS RURAL HEALTH (IRHC)

614 West Bypass
Andalusia, Alabama 36420 Phone: 334-222-0119

THREE NOTCH RURAL HEALTH INC (IRHC)

835 S. Three Notch Street
Andalusia, Alabama 36420 Phone: 334-222-8421

CRENSHAW
SOUTHEAST ALABAMA RURAL HEALTH ASSOC (FQHC)

Dozier Family Health Center
18131 Dozier Hwy
Dozier, Alabama 36028 Phone: 334-496-3521

CRENSHAW FAMILY CARE (PBRHC)

58 Roy Beall Dr.
Luverne, Alabama 36049 Phone: 334-335-1192

CULLMAN
CULLMAN QUALITY HEALTH (FQHC)

2016 Main Avenue, SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055 Phone: 256-775-0230

CULLMAN INTERNAL MEDICINE (IRHC)

1890 Al Hwy 157 Suite 300
Cullman, Alabama 35058 Phone: 256-738-8000

DALE
SOUTHEAST ALABAMA RURAL HEALTH ASSOC (FQHC)

Newton Medical Center
193 Oates Street

Newton, Alabama 36352 Phone: 334-299-3592

DEKALB

NORTHEAST ALABAMA RURAL HEALTH (FQHC)

34617 Al Highway 75

Fyffe, Alabama 35971 Phone: 256-623-5242

DEKALB CLINIC (IRHC)

415 Medical Center Dr.

Fort Payne, Al 35968 Phone: 256-997-2820

SOUTH DEKALB FAMILY MED ASSOC (IRHC)

15239 All HWY 68 West

Crossville, Alabama 35962 Phone: 256-528-7173

DEKALB QUALITY HEALTH CARE (FQHC)

12062 Hwy 227

Geraldine, Alabama 35974 Phone: 256-492-0131

FORT PAYNE PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)

3840 Gault Avenue

Fort Payne, Alabama 35967 Phone: 256-844-4978

VALLEY HEAD CLINIC (IRHC)

126 Commerce Ave.

Valley Head, Alabama Phone: 256-635-6600

ELMORE

ELMORE COMMUNITY RURAL HEALTH (PBRHC)

41 Cambridge Ct

Wetumpka, Alabama 36092 Phone: 334-567-2882

WETUMPKA FAMILY RURAL HEALTH CLINIC (PBRHC)

815 Jackson Trace

Wetumpka, Alabama 36092 Phone: 334-567-4311

ESCAMBIA

LOWER ALABAMA PEDIATRICS (IRHC)

1205 Belleville Avenue

Brewton, Alabama 36426 Phone: 251-867-3608

POARCH CREEK INDIAN HEALTH DEPARTMENT (FQHC)

5811 North Jack Springs Road

Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone: 251-368-9136

TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)

Atmore Medical Center

209 7th Avenue

Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone: 251-368-8609

BREWTON DENTAL CLINIC (FQHC)

1115 Azalea Place

Brewton, Alabama 36426 Phone: 251-809-3925

ATMORE FAMILY MEDICINE (IRHC)

Medical Park Drive

Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone: 251-368-7974

ACH FAMILY PHYSICIANS (PBRHC)

611 East Laurel Street

Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone : 251-368-8001

FLOMATON MEDICAL CENTER (PBRHC)

174 Hwy 113

Flomaton, Alabama 36441 Phone: 251-296-2456

ACH MED PLUS (PBRHC)

408 Medical Park Dr.

Atmore, Alabama 36502 Phone: 251-368-6245

ETOWAH

Roberta Watts (FQHC)

1020 Tuscaloosa Ave

Gadsden, Alabama 35902-0097 Phone: 256-492-0131

J.W. Stewart Neighborhood Clinic (FQHC)

1409 Springfield Avenue

Gadsden, Alabama 35901 Phone: 256-439-6383

Sardis City Medical Center (FQHC)

1989 Sardis Drive

Boaz, Alabama 35956 Phone: 256-593-2371

Procure-Colley Homes (FQHC)

420 North Sixth Street.

Gadsden, Alabama 35901 Phone: 256-546-9907

Canterberry Family Practice (FQHC)

502 North 27th Street

Gadsden, Alabama 35904 Phone: 256-546-0073

Quality of Life Health Complex (FQHC)

1411 Piedmont Cutoff

Gadsden, Alabama 35903 Phone: 256-492-0131

W. T. Scruggs Medical (FQHC)

4350 Cleveland Avenue

Walnut Grove, Alabama 35990 Phone: 205-589-6361

Gadsden Family & Student Health (FQHC)

927 Raley Street

Gadsden, Alabama 35903 Phone: 256-439-6384

FRANKLIN

FAMILY HEALTHCARE CLINIC-RUSSELLVILLE (FQHC)

318 Coffee Avenue

Russellville, Alabama 35653 Phone: 256-332-1629

PHIL CAMPBELL MEDICAL CLINIC (IRHC)

2930 HWY 237

Phil Campbell, Alabama 35581 Phone: 205-993-5642

NABERS FAMILY MEDICAL CLINIC (IRHC)

219 Hospital Road

Red Bay, Alabama 35582 Phone: 256-356-9537

LAKESHORE PEDIATRICS (IRHC)

603 Gandy St. NE

Russellville, Alabama 35653 Phone: 256-331-5055

GENEVA

SLOCUMB FAMILY HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)

162 So Dalton St

Slocumb, Alabama 36375 Phone: 334-886-3023

GREENE

WHATLEY HEALTH SERVICES (FQHC)

Eutaw Health Center

200 Morrow Avenue

Eutaw, Alabama 35462 Phone: 205-372-0011

GREENE COUNTY HOSPITAL PHYSICIANS CLINIC (PBRHC)

607 Wilson Ave.

Eutaw, Alabama 35462 Phone: 25-272-4035

HALE

WHATLEY HEALTH SERVICES (FQHC)

Hale County Health Center

800 Hall St.

Greensboro, Alabama 36744 Phone: 334-624-7270

HALE COUNTY HOSPITAL CLINIC (PBRHC)

508 Greene Street

Greensboro, Alabama 36744 Phone: 334-624-4442

HENRY

Abbeville Family Health Center (FQHC)

615 Ozark Rd.
Abbeville, Alabama 36310 Phone: 334-585-1171

JACKSON

NORTHEAST ALA RURAL HEALTH (FQHC)

Section Primary Health Center
302 S. Main Street
Section, Alabama 35771-0205 Phone: 256-228-3471

Paint Rock Valley Primary Health Center (FQHC)

311 County Road 106
Trenton, Alabama 35774-0026 Phone: 256-776-2949

Scottsboro Primary Health Center (FQHC)

70 Freedom Drive
Scottsboro, Alabama 35769 Phone: 256-574-5508

Skyline Primary Health Center (FQHC)

21680 Alabama Hwy 79
Scottsboro, Alabama 35768 Phone: 256-587-3050

Stevenson Primary Health Center (FQHC)

42950 US HWY 72
Stevenson, Alabama 35772 Phone: 256-437-9962

North Sand Mountain Primary (FQHC)

29810 Alabama Hwy 71
Bryant, Alabama 35971 Phone: 256-597-4114

SCOTTSBORO QUICK CARE (IRHC)

1603 South Broad St.
Scottsboro, Alabama 35765 Phone: 256-259-3778

SCOTTSBORO MEDICAL CLINIC (IRHC)

506 Harley Street
Scottsboro, Alabama 35768 Phone: 256-574-6157

PISGAH MEDICAL CLINIC (IRHC)

6110 County Road 88
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BIRMINGHAM HEALTH CARE FOR THE HOMELESS (FQHC)

712 25th Street North
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1600 20th St. S
Birmingham, Alabama 35205 Phone: 205-212-5699

BIRMINGHAM HEALTH CARE-MOYO CLINIC (FQHC)

1821 20th Street-Ensley
Birmingham, Alabama 35233 Phone: 205-785-3101

NORWOOD MEDICAL PLAZA (FQHC)

2401 15th Av North
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7524 Georgia Road
Birmingham, Alabama 35212 Phone: 205-212-5700

SALVATION ARMY YOUTH CENTER (FQHC)

6001 Crestwood Drive
Birmingham, Alabama 35212 Phone: 205-212-5602

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MILLPORT FAMILY PRACTICE CLINIC (IRHC)

13530 Hwy 96
Millport, Al 35576 Phone: 205-662-5784

VERNON HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)

230 Hospital Drive
Vernon, Alabama 35592 Phone: 205-695-0450

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16410 US Hwy 72

Rogersville, Alabama 35652 Phone: 256-247-3154

FAMILY HEALTHCARE CLINIC-FLORENCE (FQHC)

216 Marengo St # A

Florence, Alabama 35630 Phone: 256-760-8289

LAWRENCE**FAMILY HEALTHCARE CLINIC-TOWNCREEK (FQHC)**

1841 HWY 20

Town Creek, Alabama 35672 Phone: 256-685-3336

LAWRENCE RURAL HEALTH CLINIC (PBRHC)

350 Tennessee Street

Courtland, Alabama 35618 Phone: 256-637-8033

LAWRENCE RURAL HEALTH CLINIC (PBRHC)

10939 Alabama Hwy 157

Moulton, Alabama 35650 Phone: 256-974-3390

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Central Health Care-Athens

1005 West Market Street

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Central Pediatrics (IRHC)

707 W. Market Street

Athens, Alabama 35611 Phone: 256-233-0712

LOWNDES**HEALTH SERVICES, INC (FQHC)**

Lowndes County Health Services

1000 Oak Street

Hayneville, Alabama 36040 Phone: 334-548-2516

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8578 US Highway 80

Tyler, Alabama 36785 Phone: 334-872-1966

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203 West Lee Street

Tuskegee, Alabama 36083 Phone: 334-727-6880

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751 Pleasant Row

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GUNTERSVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE (IRHC)
1241 Blount Avenue
Guntersville, Alabama 35976 Phone: 256-582-6377
DOUGLAS MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)
8225 Highway 75
Horton, Alabama 35980 Phone: 256-593-3804
ARAB FAMILY HEALTHCARE (IRHC)
121 Golfview Dr. NE
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PREFERRED FAMILY HEALTHCARE (IRHC)
312 Sand Mountain Drive
Albertville, Alabama 35950 Phone: 256-878-1053
PREMIER FAMILY CARE (IRHC)
2017 Obrig Ave
Guntersville, Alabama Phone: 256-582-2324

MOBILE

FAMILY ORIENTED PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CLINIC (FQHC)

251 North Bayou Street
Mobile County Health Department
Mobile, Alabama 36652 Phone: 251-690-8889
North Mobile Health Center (FQHC)
950 Coy Smith Hwy
Mount Vernon, Alabama 36560 Phone: 251-829-9884
USA After Hours Clinic (FQHC)
1700 Center Street
Mobile, Alabama 36652 Phone: 251-690-8158
Eight Mile Clinic (FQHC)
4547 St. Stephens Road
Prichard, Alabama 36613 Phone: 251-456-1399
The Women's Center (FQHC)
248 Cox St #B
Mobile, Alabama 36604 Phone: 251-690-8930
School Based Clinic (FQHC)
800 Whitley Avenue
Plateau, Alabama 36652 Phone: 251-456-2276
Newburn Clinic (FQHC)
248 Cox Street #A
Mobile, Alabama 36604 Phone: 251-405-4525
Wellness Express Van-Big Creek (FQHC)
13140 Moffett Road
Wilmer, Alabama 36587 Phone: 251-690-8889
Semmes Clinic (FQHC)
3810 Wolff Road
Semmes, AL 36575 Phone: 251-445-0582
Citronelle Clinic (FQHC)
19250 Mobile Street
Mobile, Alabama 36522-0218 Phone: 251-866-7454
FRANKLIN MEMORIAL PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER (FQHC)
CLINIC & Medical/Dental Express Van (FQHC)
1303 MLK Blvd
Mobile, Alabama 36652-2048 Phone: 251-432-4117
Maysville Medical Center (FQHC)
1956 Duval Street
Mobile, Alabama 36652-2048 Phone: 251-471-3747
Aiello/Buskey Medical Center (FQHC)
424 South Wilson Avenue
Prichard, Alabama 36610 Phone: 251-452-1442
H.E. Savage Memorial Health Center (FQHC)
553 Dauphin Street

Mobile, Alabama 36602 Phone: 334-697-1801

Dr. Albert Thomas Family Health (FQHC)

1904 Bishop Avenue

Mobile, Alabama 36610 Phone: 251-452-1010

Hadleys Medical Center (FQHC)

572 Stanton Road

Mobile, Alabama 36652 Phone: 251-450-8055

Springhill Health Center (FQHC)

1201 Springhill Avenue

Mobile, Alabama 36640 Phone: 251-694-0070

Central Plaza Health Towers Health Center (FQHC)

300 Bayshore Avenue

Building 306 Suite 1

Mobile, Alabama 36640 Phone: 251-476-4926

West Mobile Family Medical (FQHC)

801 D. University Blvd

Mobile, Alabama 36640 Phone: 251-344-1964

MOSTELLAR MEDICAL CENTER- Irvington Clinic (FQHC)

12701 Padgett Switch Road

Irvington, Alabama 36544-9611 Phone: 334-824-2174

BAYOU CLINIC, INC (FQHC)

13833 Tapia Lane

Bayou La Batre, Alabama 36509 Phone: 251-824-4985

MONTGOMERY

HEALTH SERVICES INCORPORATED (FQHC)

Lister Hill Health Center

1845 Cherry St

Montgomery, Alabama 36106 Phone: 334-420-5001

MONTGOMERY con't

Ramer Health Clinic (FQHC)

Highway 94

Ramer, Alabama 36069 Phone: 334-562-3229

Montgomery Primary Health Care Center (FQHC)

3060 Mobile Highway

Montgomery, Alabama 36108 Phone: 334-293-6670

Chisholm Family Health Center (FQHC)

329 Vandiver Blvd

Montgomery, Alabama 36110 Phone: 334-832-4338

Southside Family Center (FQHC)

2611 Woodley Park Dr

Montgomery, Alabama 36107 Phone: 334-288-0009

MONROE

Vrendenberg Health Center (FQHC)

588 County Road 56

Vrendenberg, Al 36448-1000 Phone: 334-337-4787

TRI-COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)

Uriah Medical Clinic

210 Highway 59 South

Uriah, Alabama 36480 Phone: 251-862-2431

FRISCO CITY MEDICAL CENTER (FQHC)

53 Mulberry Street

Frisco City, Alabama 36445 Phone: 251-267-3900

MORGAN

Family Health Care Clinic-Decatur (FQHC)

1304 13th Avenue SE Suite A

Decatur, Alabama 35601 Phone: 256-340-1251

BRINDLEE MOUNTAIN FAMILY PRACTICE (IRHC)

4258 US HWY 231 Suite 5

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PERRY**RURAL HEALTH MEDICAL PROGRAM (FQHC)**

Uniontown Clinic
330 Old Hamburg Road
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