



This newsletter intends to give primary care an overview of bowel screening within ADHB. It highlights what we are doing well and what we can improve upon with your help. We are proud of the work we have completed so far, and thank you for your hard work promoting and referring eligible participants, especially during these uncertain times. We have a lot of work to do in 2022 to boost our participation numbers, but with the support of primary care, we will be able to make this happen.

Program results for ADHB NBSP

Invited Participants Total

46,910

Kits Returned (Definitive Results)

21,016

Completion rate % ADHB

48.1

MoH Target 60%

Completion Rate % Māori

40.3

MoH Target 60%

Completion Rate % Pacific region

33.9

MoH Target 60%

Positives total

832

Colonoscopies completed

646

Cancers

49

People with high-risk polyps

167

Average wait time for colonoscopy

19 days



HOT TIP

If you have a Bowel Screening participant who would like to have their colonoscopy with a private provider, please let us know by making an “information referral” via E-referrals. Use the pathway outlined below and add a comment saying the participant will be seen by a private provider. By letting us know via an “information referral”, you would have successfully managed the positive FIT result and will be paid \$60+GST

E-referral

When referring to the DHB please make a referral to **Gastroenterology - Endoscopy**. Reason for referral: **Colonoscopy**. Reason for requesting colonoscopy: **National Bowel Screening Programme FIT positive**.



Meet the ADHB Bowel Screening Programme. The smiling faces that brings the Bowel Screening Programme to the community of Tāmaki Makaurau.



Back Row: Kristy Shirley – Nurse Specialist, Matt Wallace – Programme Manager, Dianna Hur – Quality Coordinator, Anthony Petera – Māori Health Promoter, Dr Rachael Bergman – Clinical Lead, Sande Mareroa Gates – Liaison

Front Row: Charis Wood – Communications and Marketing, Cindy Chang – Pre-Assessment Nurse, Stephanie Kercher – Administration/ Team Support, Sandra Skipwith – Health Promotion Team Leader, Fifita Finau – Pacific Health Promoter

Absent: Pheobe Wu – Nurse Specialist, Lauren Larsen-Rowe – Pre-Assessment Nurse



Meet an important member of the team, Bella the inflatable bowel! She brings the visual element of how bowel cancer can occur in the bowel to the community. Bella travels everywhere, from libraries, malls and events. She can come to your practice too! Don't hesitate to contact us if you would like us to do a promotion at your practice.

The Bowel Screening team can also organise a training session on Bowel screening that can contribute to your BDRP education hours. Just let us know if you are interested and we can set this up virtually or in person once things start to return to normal.

