

Annotation

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This paper provides information about possibilities of colorectal cancer primary and secondary prevention. The theoretical part of the paper is focused on the primary care, it provides information about possible factors leading to the origin of this disease and its treatment. It emphasizes the importance of screening programme and points at the importance of nurses' active taking part in this programme, mainly concerning patients' education. It explains the method of fecal occult blood test and points at possible mistakes made during testing and its evaluation.

The empirical part finds how accessible these tests are to the public, it checks the method simplicity and the possibility of cooperation between the public and health staff. The paper includes information which is especially important for the nurses working in the primary care.