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HEALTH OFFICER MEMORANDUM

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TO: Health Officers
CRF Cancer Program Directors, Coordinators and Staff
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FROM: Maria-Theresa C. Okafor, PhD, MCG, Program Manager
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RE: **CRF-CPEST Client Database (CDB) Benchmarks; 1st Quarter, FY17**

Enclosed please find **statewide** benchmarks data for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) for colorectal cancer screening. This reflects Client Database (CDB) data from 07/1/2016 through 09/30/2016, as run on 12/16/2016. **Program-specific benchmark data will be sent electronically to your CRF/CPEST Program Director and/or Coordinator, under separate cover.**

CPEST Programs should:

- Review the report
- Correct and/or enter data in the CDB where needed and appropriate
- Document any issues in the CDB
- Review local policies/procedures in order to improve processes related to benchmarks, if needed.

Statewide, in the first quarter, four of seven colorectal cancer benchmarks were met, and two benchmarks were not measurable because there were no adenocarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma diagnosed meeting CPEST benchmark criteria. Should the DHMH-Surveillance and Evaluation Unit have any questions about program-specific benchmark data, Program Directors and/or Coordinators will be contacted directly. If you have any questions about the benchmark data, please contact me at maria-theresa.okafor@maryland.gov or 410-767-2616.

Attachments (e-mailed to Health officers, CPEST Program Directors)

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