

## Welcome to Medicare Physical: The Prostate Cancer Screening Benefit



Title 42--The Public Health and Welfare  
Chapter 7--Social Security  
Subchapter XVIII--Health Insurance for Aged and Disabled

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Part E--Miscellaneous Provisions

Sec. 1395x. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter--

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### **(oo) Prostate cancer screening tests**

(1) The term ``prostate cancer screening test" means a test that consists of any (or all) of the procedures described in paragraph (2) provided for the purpose of early detection of prostate cancer to a man over 50 years of age who has not had such a test during the preceding year.

(2) The procedures described in this paragraph are as follows:

(A) A digital rectal examination.

(B) A prostate-specific antigen blood test.

(C) For years beginning after 2002, such other procedures as the Secretary finds appropriate for the purpose of early detection of prostate cancer, taking into account changes in technology and standards of medical practice, availability, effectiveness, costs, and such other factors as the Secretary considers appropriate.

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### **(ww) Initial preventive physical examination**

(1) The term ``initial preventive physical examination" means physicians' services consisting of a physical examination (including measurement of height, weight, and blood pressure, and an electrocardiogram) with the goal of health promotion and disease detection and includes education, counseling, and referral with respect to screening and other preventive services described in paragraph (2), but does not include clinical laboratory tests.

**(2) The screening and other preventive services described in this paragraph include the following:**

(A) Pneumococcal, influenza, and hepatitis B vaccine and administration under subsection (s)(10) of this section.

(B) Screening mammography as defined in subsection (jj) of this section.

(C) Screening pap smear and screening pelvic exam as defined in subsection (nn) of this section.

**(D) Prostate cancer screening tests as defined in subsection (oo) of this section.**

(E) Colorectal cancer screening tests as defined in subsection (pp) of this section.

(F) Diabetes outpatient self-management training services as defined in subsection (qq)(1) of this section.

(G) Bone mass measurement as defined in subsection (rr) of this section.

(H) Screening for glaucoma as defined in subsection (uu) of this section.

(I) Medical nutrition therapy services as defined in subsection (vv) of this section.

(J) Cardiovascular screening blood tests as defined in subsection (xx)(1) of this section.

(K) Diabetes screening tests as defined in subsection (yy) of this section.