

POLAR Walkthrough – Bowel Cancer Screening

This walkthrough will demonstrate how to generate a list of patients who have not had a bowel cancer screening where their results are lodged with the practice.

This activity takes place on the Clinical Indicators POLAR Report.

Inclusion Filters allow you to identify a patient cohort based on what HAS happened to them.

Exclusion filters allow you to identify patients based on what HAS NOT happened to them.

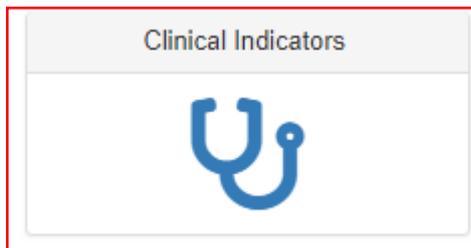
Patient cohort:

All patients who:

- Are “active” **Please note:** Clinical Indicators by default filters active patients
- Are between the ages of 50 and 74 (inclusive)
- Have not previously had bowel cancer screening

POLAR Report

Clinical Indicators



1. Filter patient age (50 – 74 inclusive)

Under the INCLUSION FILTERS (1), open the DEMOGRAPHICS & LIFESTYLE tab (2), and select the age groups (3) 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69 and 70-74. Click the GREEN tick to confirm.

Double click to view list
Active Patient Count

4,712

(Excluded Patients: 0)

ded patients have already completed selected in the **Exclusion filters**.

t(Age Band): 50 - 54, 55 - 59, 60 - 64, 65 - 69, 70 - 74

lients with diagnosis co-morbidities can found by combining the diagnosis rs (i.e. 'SNOMED' filter for first idition and "AND SNOMED" filter for second)

lients using multiple medications can found by combining the medications rs (i.e. 'Medication' filter for first dication and "AND Medication" filter for second)

Filters can be selected in multiple dropdown boxes. Filters act as an OR within a dropdown box (i.e. 'SNOMED'>Asthma OR COPD) and as an AND between boxes. Medication* filters only shows patients with an active diagnosis or current medication in the clinical software.

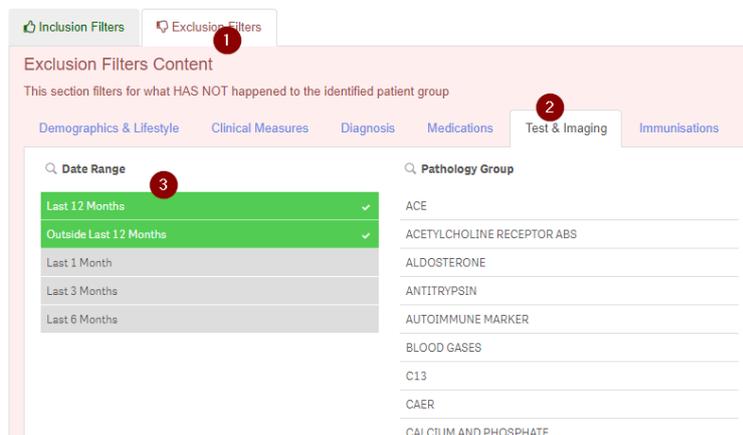
1 Inclusion Filters Exclusion Filters

Inclusion Filters Content
This section filters for what HAS happened to the identified patient group

Demographics & Lifestyle	Clinical Measures	Diagnosis	Medications	Test & Im	MBS Items
<p>2 RACGP Active</p> <p>Active</p> <p>Inactive</p>	<p>Gender</p> <p>Female</p> <p>Male</p> <p>Not Specified</p>	<p>Patient Age</p> <p>50</p> <p>51</p> <p>52</p> <p>53</p> <p>54</p> <p>55</p> <p>56</p> <p>57</p> <p>58</p> <p>59</p> <p>60</p> <p>61</p> <p>62</p> <p>63</p> <p>64</p> <p>65</p> <p>66</p>	<p>Age Band</p> <p>0 - 4</p> <p>5 - 9</p> <p>10 - 14</p> <p>15 - 19</p> <p>20 - 24</p> <p>25 - 29</p> <p>30 - 34</p> <p>35 - 39</p> <p>40 - 44</p> <p>45 - 49</p> <p>50 - 54 3</p> <p>55 - 59</p> <p>60 - 64</p> <p>65 - 69</p> <p>70 - 74</p> <p>75 - 79</p>	<p>Pension Status</p> <p>Commonwealth Seniors ...</p> <p>Full DVA</p> <p>Health Care Card</p> <p>Limited DVA</p> <p>None</p> <p>Not Specified</p> <p>Pension/HCC</p> <p>Pensioner / HCC</p> <p>Pensioner Concession C...</p>	

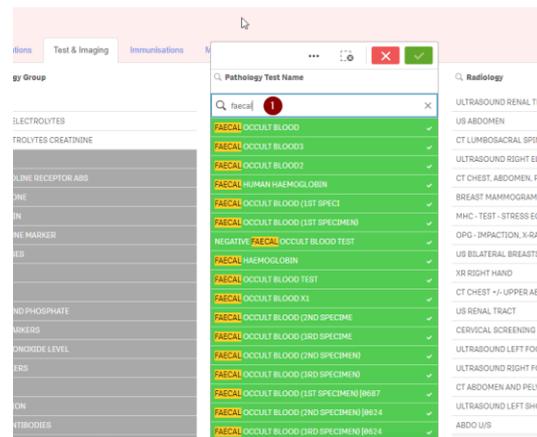
2. Exclude patients who have had bowel cancer screening

Next, navigate to the EXCLUSION FILTERS (1) and open the TEST & IMAGING tab (2). Set the time period for review (3) by selecting both *Last 12 months* and *Outside last 12 months*.



Next, using the PATHOLOGY TEST NAME list, filter in the search box for “faecal”, “occult”, “fobt” and “ocb”. Select any and all tests related to bowel cancer screening, common test names include:

- **FAECAL HUMAN HAEMOGLOBIN**
- **OCB-0 (OCCULT BLOOD X 3)**
- **OCB-0 (OCCULT BLOOD X 3)**
- **OBG-0 (OCB NATIONAL SCREENING)**
- **FOBT**
- **OBN-0 (OCB NATIONAL SCREENING)**
- **OBL-0 (OCCULT BLOOD FOBT LAB)**
- **LBW-0 (OCCULT BLOOD FOBT LAB)**
- **BOW-0 (OCB NATIONAL SCREENING)**
- **FAECAL OCCULT BLOOD**
- **FAECAL OCCULT BLOOD3**
- **FAECAL OCCULT BLOOD2**
- **BWL-0 (OCB NATIONAL SCREENING)**
- **FAECAL IMMUNOCHEMICAL TEST**
- **OCB NATIONAL SCREENING**



3. Viewing the patient list

3.1. Double click the **Patient Count** to view the patient list

Double click to view list

Active Patient Count

4,216

(Excluded Patients: 1,072)

Excluded patients have already completed items selected in the Exclusion filters.

Pathology Exclusive Or: 37 of 10937

Pathology Radiology Date Range Exclusive: Last 12 Months, Outside Last 12 Months

=Text([Age Band]): 50 - 54, 55 - 59, 60 - 64, 65 - 69, 70 - 74

Filters can be selected in multiple dropdown software.

Inclusion Filters | Exclusion Filters

Exclusion Filters Content

This section filters for what HAS NOT happened

Demographics & Lifestyle | Clinical M

Date Range

- Last 12 Months
- Outside Last 12 Months
- Last 1 Month
- Last 3 Months
- Last 6 Months

3.2. At the top of the patient list, click either “Export to Excel” or “Export to PDF” as required.

Export to Excel | Export to PDF

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