

CACI - Colon Cancer/ Colorectal Cancer Worksheet

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To determine the applicant's eligibility for certification, the AME must review a [current, detailed Clinical Progress Note](#) generated from a clinic visit with the treating physician or specialist no more than **90 days** before the AME exam. If the applicant **meets ALL the acceptable certification criteria** listed below, the AME can issue. Applicants for first- or second- class must provide this information annually; applicants for third-class must provide the information with each required exam.

AME MUST REVIEW	ACCEPTABLE CERTIFICATION CRITERIA
The treating physician's current, detailed Clinical Progress Note verifies the condition is stable with no concerns and the airman is back to full daily activities with no treatment needed.	[] Yes
High Risk – any evidence of the following features ever: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEA increase or CEA did not decrease with colectomy; • Chemotherapy ever (including neoadjuvant); • Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP); • High-risk pathology per the treating oncologist; • Incomplete resection or positive margins; • Lynch syndrome; • Metastatic disease - refers to distant metastatic disease such as lung, liver, lymph nodes, peritoneum, brain, etc.; • Pathology of any type other than adenoma (ex: lymphoma, GIST, carcinoid); • Radiation therapy; • Recurrence; and/or • Sessile polyp with invasive cancer surgically treated only, no additional chemo/radiation. 	[] None
Recurrence - any evidence or concern based on colonoscopy or imaging studies per acceptable current practice guidelines.	[] No
Metastatic disease ever (distant to liver, lung, lymph nodes, peritoneum, brain, etc.) or symptoms such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache or vision changes; • Focal neurologic dysfunction; • Gait disturbance; and/or • Cognitive dysfunction, including memory problems and mood or personality changes. 	[] None
TNM stage at diagnosis was 0, I, II or III.	[] Yes
CEA at diagnosis was less than 5 ng/ml .	[] Yes
CEA within the last 90 days is normal and has no increase from previous levels.	[] Yes
CBC within the last 90 days shows a hemoglobin greater than 11 and no other significant abnormalities.	[] Yes

AME MUST NOTE in Block 60 one of the following:

[] CACI qualified colon cancer/colorectal cancer.

[] Has current OR previous SI/AASI but now CACI qualified colon cancer/colorectal cancer.

[] NOT CACI qualified colon cancer/colorectal cancer. I have deferred. (Submit supporting documents.)