

## Interpretation

The prevalence of self-reported colorectal cancer screening collected in the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey (BRFSS) beginning in 2012 cannot be compared to prior years' estimates as a result of methodologic changes to the BRFSS that occurred in 2011. In 2012, the percentage of adults who reported receiving a colorectal cancer screening was 75.1 percent in Delaware and 67.3 percent in the U.S. These statistics will serve as a baseline for comparsion in future years.

## Addressing the health issue

The Comprehensive Cancer Control Branch of the Division of Public Health (DPH) in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides educational materials and resources about cancer, screening for cancer, and treatment options. The Screening for Life program provides cancer screening tests, including screening for colorectal cancer for qualified individuals in

- Colorectal cancer screening= Adults age 50 and older who respond "yes," to the question: "Have you ever had a colonoscopy or sigmoidoscopy to screen for colorectal cancer?"; Behavioral Risk Factor Survey.
  Estimates for 2011-2013 reflect BRFSS methodologic changes begun in 2011. These estimates should not be compared to estimates preceding 2011.
  The Delaware target was established in DPH's Strategic Plan to be met by 2020 to reflect a 10 percent increase in screening prevalence.
  Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Prevalence and Trends Data Tools.