## Screening vs. Diagnostic Testing

### Why
- **Screening**
  - Routine testing for patients without symptoms
  - Further testing may be done if a screening finds a possible abnormality
- **Diagnostic**
  - Testing to investigate symptoms or a possible abnormality found during a screening

### Who
- **Screening**
  - For patients without symptoms
- **Diagnostic**
  - For patients with symptoms
  - For patients whose screening showed a possible abnormality

### When
- **Screening**
  - Check with your physician and insurance company for eligibility factors based on age, gender, family history
  - There may be requirements regarding time between tests
- **Diagnostic**
  - As soon as possible after a screening shows an abnormality
  - Screening may become diagnostic if abnormality found during the course of testing

### Referral
- **Screening**
  - May require a referral from a physician
  - Check with your insurance company
- **Diagnostic**
  - May require a referral from a physician
  - Check with your insurance company

### Cost
- **Screening**
  - Copays typically do not apply
  - Check with your insurance company to determine which screening tests are covered and how often
- **Diagnostic**
  - Copays or other out of pocket costs may apply
  - Check with your insurance company to determine which diagnostic tests are covered and requirements

For more information regarding your test, go to ccf.org/health.