

Stop Colorectal Cancer

I pledge to do my part to stop colorectal cancer.

I know health advocacy groups estimate screening for colorectal cancer could avert up to 60 percent of deaths from this cancer.

I know that compared to the rest of the nation, Mississippi follows only Kentucky in the percent of its residents who are diagnosed with a colorectal cancer and leads the nation in the percent of its residents who die of colorectal cancers.

I know colorectal cancer is the second most common cancer in men and women and the second leading cause of cancer death.

I know the American Cancer Society and the U.S. Multi-Society Task Force recommend those 50 and older begin screening for this cancer.

Some people who are younger and have particular risk factors should too.

I want to help lower colorectal cancer deaths, by finding and removing precancerous polyps or finding it earlier when it is more treatable.

Therefore I pledge:

_____ I will be screened for colorectal cancer this year.

_____ I will talk to someone I love about being screened.

_____ I've been screened and I pledge to talk to someone who hasn't.

Signature _____ Date: _____

After you've been screened tell someone else who needs to know. Let us know about it and encourage others to do the same at #Ihadthetalk

Brought to you by the 70x2020 Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative, a state partnership striving to see 70 percent of eligible Mississippians screened for colorectal cancer by 2020.

