

**Bowel Cancer Screening Programme**  
 Standard Operating Procedure

**Observations Undertaken at SSP Pre-Assessment Clinic**

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**Key Amendments**

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**Introduction**

In accordance with the requirements of the Bowel Cancer Screening Programme (BCSP), SSP's are required to complete a health assessment for fitness for colonoscopy for all patients who attend.

This assessment is made on information gained following the completion of a national dataset to capture a full medical history on which to base the decision of fitness to proceed to colonoscopy. Clinical observations must be included as part of this assessment, these are; recording of blood pressure, pulse and oxygen saturation measurements. Where these observations fall outside normal parameters, the SSP must complete the relevant referral to the patients GP for further investigation.

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