

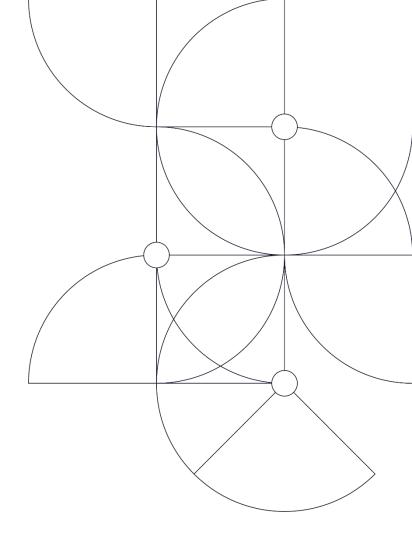
## **Evaluating the impact of COVID-19 among prostate and colorectal cancer patients in Canada**

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### This study aims to investigate the impact of COVID-19 among prostate and colorectal cancer patients in Canada



 Suspension of cancer screening and treatment activities during the COVID-19 have generated an unprecedented impact on cancer management and control in Canada

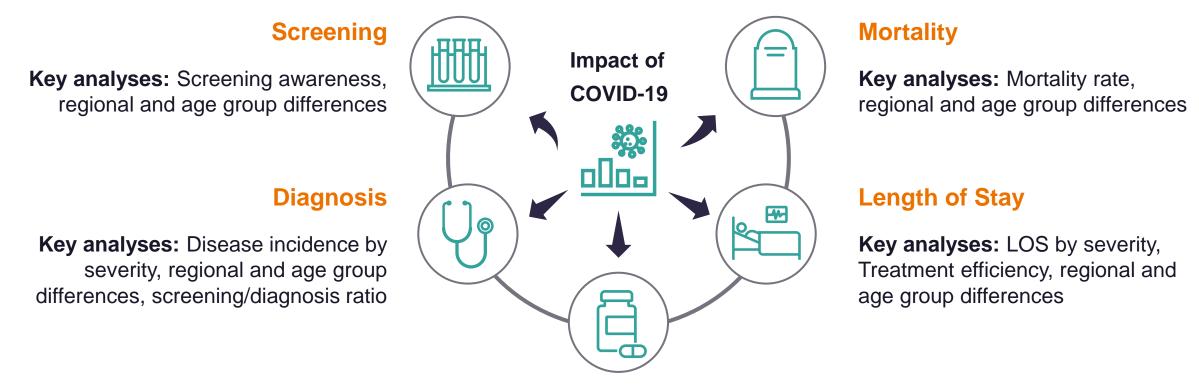


- To provide the public and scientific community with insight into the impact of COVID-19 on screening, diagnosis, and treatment activities for two of the most prevalent cancers today – prostate and colorectal
- To identify immediate and long-term implications of COVID-19 on the Canadian oncology health system



- 1. What do the baseline screening, diagnosis, and treatment activities look like for prostate and colorectal cancer before the COVID-19 period?
- 2. What is the impact of COVID-19 on screening, diagnosis, and treatment activities for prostate and colorectal cancer?
- 3. What are the short-term and long-term implications of COVID-19 on the oncology health system?

# Leveraging CIHI's data, we conducted a national assessment of the patient journey for patients with prostate and colorectal cancer



#### **Treatment / Intervention**

Key analyses: Treatment activity, regional and age group differences, diagnosis/treatment ratio

## Throughout the cancer patient journey, we identified the various segments for our datasets in this study

Analysis was first carried out using data from April 2010-March 2020 to understand baseline outcomes		40-59, 60-79, 80+)		Treatment Class (Imaging, Surgical, Radio, Pharmaco)	(Metastatic, Non-
Dataset Category	2021 March)		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Screening (# of events)		$\checkmark$			
Admissions (# of admissions based on Most Responsible Diagnosis code)					
Intervention (# of event	s)	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Length of Stay (# of days)		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
Mortality (# of expirations)	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		

# Due to COVID-19 shutdowns, there is a "debt" of unperformed screening and interventions across the CRC landscape

#### April 2010 – March 2020

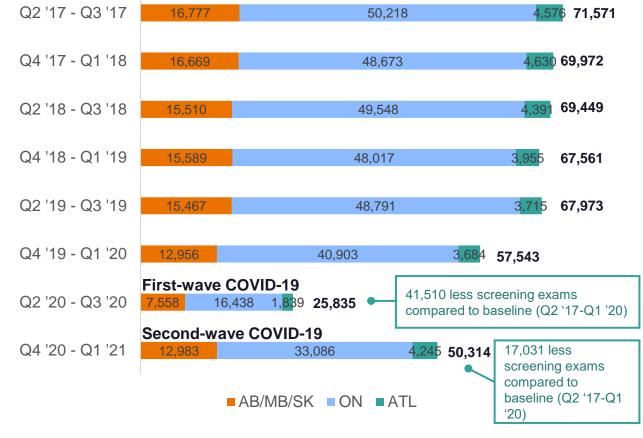
The Canadian colorectal cancer landscape has been marked by decreasing LOS (15%) and mortality (6%) over the past decade

## Numbers during the first wave of COVID-19 (April 2020 – Sept 2020)

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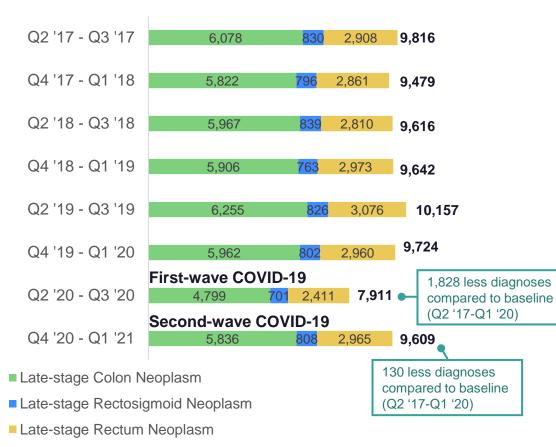
When compared to the same period in the previous year

### Although a quick rebound in hospital screening was observed, an estimated 58k colonoscopies are missing



## Missing colorectal cancers: our healthcare systems will likely face a surge of advanced cancer cases in the years to come

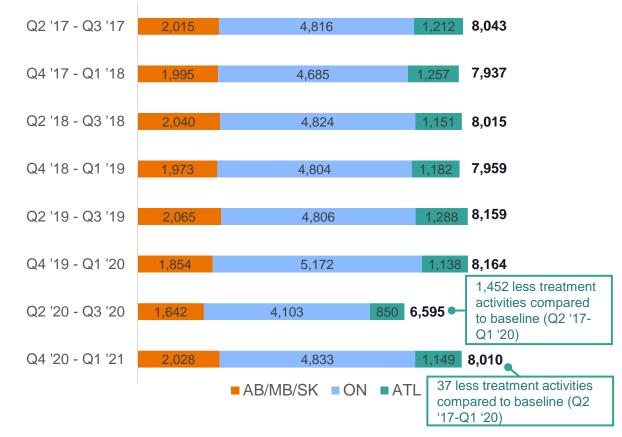
## An estimated 2,000 late-stage, non-metastatic colorectal cancer cases are missing



Hospital Admissions by Colorectal Cancer Cohort

## Treatment activities were impacted more in Prairies (-20%) and ATL (-34%) compared ON (-15%) during the first wave of COVID-19

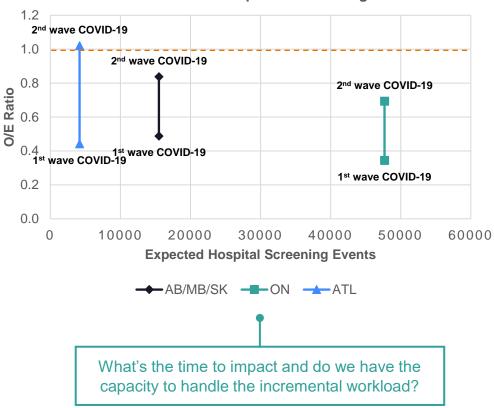
**Treatment Activities by Province** 



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# What's the impact of delayed CRC detection and diagnosis to our healthcare systems?

#### **Recovery in CRC screening events varies by province**

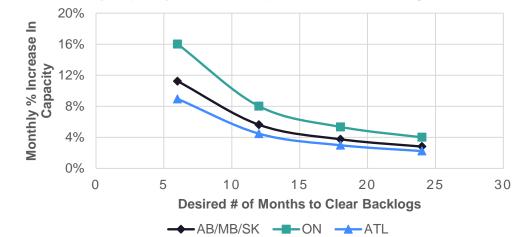


#### CRC Observed-to-Expected Screening

## An estimated 4% - 8% increase in monthly capacity is required to clear backlogs of colonoscopies in 12 months

Baseline (April 2017-March 2020)	Colorectal Cancer Cohort							
COVID-19 (April 2020-March 2021)	AB/MB/SK		ON		ATL			
Total Unperformed Screening during COVID-19	10,448		45,859		2,233			
Desired Months to Clear Backlogs	6	12	6	12	6	12		
Monthly % Increase Above Baseline	11%	6%	16%	8%	9%	4%		
Monthly Increase in Volume Above Baseline	1,742	871	7,644	3,822	373	187		

Potential Monthly Capacity Increase Required to Clear Backlogs of CRC Screening



#### **Summary – Key insights and implications from the study**

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#### Key Study Findings

For prostate cancer, a **12% decrease in hospital diagnoses** and a **5.3% decrease in treatment activities** were observed during COVID-19 between April 2020 and March 2021

A 43% reduction in hospital colonoscopies, 11% decrease in hospital diagnoses and 10% decrease in treatment activities were observed for colorectal cancers

An estimated **1,438 prostate** and **2,494 colorectal** cancer cases were undiagnosed, resulting in a total of **620** and **1,487 unperformed treatment activities** for prostate and colorectal cancers, respectively

#### Insights

- Hospitals will likely face a surge of advanced prostate and colorectal cancer cases that would've been diagnosed at an earlier stage
- Hospitals are facing massive backlogs of unperformed treatment interventions, further exacerbating hospital capacity challenges
  - An increased patient hospital length of stay due to complex disease cases
- An estimated 4% 8% increase in monthly capacity is required to clear backlogs of interventions over the next 12 months

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