

SCREENING FOR TESTICULAR CANCER

CLINICAL SUMMARY OF U.S. PREVENTIVE SERVICES TASK FORCE REAFFIRMATION RECOMMENDATION

Population	Adolescent and Adult Males
Recommendation	Do Not Screen Grade: D

Screening Tests	There is inadequate evidence that screening asymptomatic patients by means of self-examination or clinician examination has greater yield or accuracy for detecting testicular cancer at more curable stages.
Interventions	Management of testicular cancer consists of orchiectomy and may include other surgery, radiation therapy, or chemotherapy, depending on stage and tumor type. Regardless of disease stage, over 90% of all newly diagnosed cases of testicular cancer will be cured.
Balance of Harms and Benefits	Screening by self-examination or clinician examination is unlikely to offer meaningful health benefits, given the very low incidence and high cure rate of even advanced testicular cancer. Potential harms include false-positive results, anxiety, and harms from diagnostic tests or procedures.
Relevant USPSTF Recommendations	Recommendations on screening for other types of cancer can be found at http://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/.

For a summary of the evidence systematically reviewed in making these recommendations, the full recommendation statement, and supporting documents, please go to http://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/.