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## Entira Health News

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### Welcome to Fall Entira Health News

Please take a minute to read our Fall [Monitor Newsletter](#). Articles included are:

- 1) What is Preventive Care?
- 2) Welcome Dr. Ann Barry to our White Bear Lake-Banning Avenue Clinic!
- 3) Entira Family Clinics "Top Docs"

**The *Entira Health News* will be sent out quarterly in 2015.** We invite your input in this newsletter especially patient stories! Please submit your ideas to [marketing@entirafamilyclinics.com](mailto:marketing@entirafamilyclinics.com).

### What's New!

#### Congratulations to Entira Family Clinics for its 2013 HealthPartners "Partners in Excellence" Awards!

Once again, Entira Family Clinics was recognized for achieving high levels of performance on the Triple Aim (clinical quality, patient experience and affordability) at the recent HealthPartners annual "Partners in Excellence" Awards dinner! These awards are based on performance measurements provided by Minnesota Community Measurement (MNCM) and HealthPartner's claims. The honors categories where we excelled are listed below:

#### Gold Honors:

- "Attributed Total Cost of Care<sup>1</sup>"
- "Drug Monitoring of Persistent Medications; Primary Care<sup>2</sup>."

#### Silver Honors:

- "MNCM Optimal Depression Care; Primary Care<sup>3</sup>"
- "Patient, Primary Care: Informed about Your Needs"
- "Patient Experience, Primary Care: Willingness to Recommend." [Read more.](#)

### What's New!

In August, the FDA approved the first DNA test used to screen individuals who are at an average risk for colon cancer. Cologuard reportedly finds 92% of all colon cancers, is noninvasive, requires no change in diet or medication and can be done in the privacy of your own home. Cologuard is a test from Exact Sciences who partnered with the Mayo Clinic for the clinical trials. This test is the first to be approved by the FDA and by CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) simultaneously. CMS plans to cover the new test once every three years for people ages 50 to 85 who have a normal risk of developing colon cancer. The coverage proposal is not yet final. At this time, no other insurance plans cover this test. This

test is not yet offered through Entira Family Clinics.

General information: <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/fda-approves-first-dna-test-for-colon-cancer>

Are you interested in learning how to create a Health Care Directive?

Entira Family Clinics can help! Read [here](#) for more information.

### Clinic Hours

<u>Regular Care Schedule</u>	<u>Entira Clinic Hours</u>	<u>After Hours Care*</u>
Monday -Friday	8 am - 5 pm	5 pm - 9 pm (appt start at 6 pm)
Saturday	Closed	8 am - 5 pm (appt start at 9 am)
Sunday	Closed	8 am - 5 pm (appt start at 9 am)

[After Hours Care/Holiday Schedule](#)

\*After Hours Care is located at the No. St. Paul & Inver Grove Heights clinics.

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