

Dear Editor,

The following changes were made to the manuscript:

The reviewer suggested that because Flynn et al. reported that there was no difference in surgical treatment outcomes when comparing patients ages 85 and older to those aged 75-85 years, we should incorporate recommendations on screening of adults over 85 years of age who otherwise would have no recommendations for screening. We added discussion of our proposed recommendations, marked in red.

The reviewer also suggested that in the consideration of CRC, it is important to clarify not only the reduction in mortality, but also increase in life expectancy. While Flynn et al. provided no data on long term outcomes and on increase in life expectancy, screening and treatment for the very elderly may not necessarily contribute the increase in their life expectancy. This is an important point of the upper age screening discussion, and it was added to the manuscript, marked in red.

“Author contributions” section revised.

“Corresponding author” ORCID and email revised.

“Core tip” references removed.

All the references revised.

Thank you for consideration of our manuscript for publication.

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