Supplemental material Supplemental Table 1. Characteristics of patients undergoing dialysis in the United States between 1/1/2007 and 9/3/2012, by quartiles of risk of transplant.

	Quartile 1 Lowest Risk	Quartile 2	Quartile 3	Quartile 4 Highest Risk
	(n = 101,257)	(n = 101,257)	(n = 101,257)	(n = 101,257)
Male sex (%)	44.1	51.2	56.5	63.8
Age, years ± SD	77.2 ± 8.4	72.2 ± 8.4	66.0 ± 7.9	58.9 ± 5.9
BMI, kg/m ^{2*}	29.0 ± 7.9	28.9 ± 7.6	29.2 ± 7.6	29.0 ± 7.2
Race (%)				
White	64.4	66.9	64.8	62.7
Black	31.1	28.0	29.0	28.6
Asian / Pacific Islander	3.3	3.4	3.8	5.6
Hispanic ethnicity (%)	9.4	10.5	13.1	14.7
Comorbidities (%)				
Coronary artery disease	38.2	27.6	20.0	11.4
Congestive heart failure	62.1	40.2	25.9	11.9
COPD	22.6	9.4	4.4	1.4
Stroke	18.9	10.5	7.3	3.8
Diabetes	69.5	65.1	64.1	52.2
Hypertension	88.2	88.1	87.8	88.3
Peripheral vascular disease	27.6	16.7	11.4	5.4
Nonambulatory	22.1	2.3	0.6	0.1
Drug Use (%)				
Alcohol use	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.7
Tobacco use	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.5
Status before dialysis (%)				
Unemployed	98.2	96.3	90.8	63.1
Uninsured	1.2	3.4	8.7	12.
Albumin, g/dL (%)				
0.5 – 3.2	53.7	42.6	38.0	30.2
3.2 – 6.0	26.7	36.1	41.0	49.5
Missing	19.5%	21.2	21.0	20.4
Creatinine, mg/dL ± SD*	5.15 ± 2.21	5.80 ± 2.52	6.50 ± 2.96	7.71 ± 3.81
Hemoglobin, $g/dL \pm SD^*$	9.8 ± 1.5	10.0 ± 1.6	10.0 ± 1.7	10.1 ± 1.8

Supplemental Table 2. Procedure codes.

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82270	Blood, occult, by peroxidase activity (eg, guaiac), qualitative; feces, consecutive collected specimens with single determination, for colorectal neoplasm screening (ie, patient was provided three cards or single triple card for consecutive collection)
82271	other sources
82272	Blood, occult, by peroxidase activity (eg, guaiac), qualitative, feces, 1-3 simultaneous determinations, performed for other than colorectal neoplasm screening Blood, occult, by fecal hemoglobin determination by immunoassay, qualitative, feces, 1-3 simultaneous
82274	determinations
G0328	Colorectal cancer screening; fecal occult blood test, immunoassay, 1-3 simultaneous
Sigmoidoscopy, flexible	
	Sigmoidoscopy, flexible; diagnostic, with or without collection of specimen(s) by brushing or washing
45330	(separate procedure)
45331	with biopsy, single or multiple
45332	with removal of foreign body
45333	with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by hot biopsy forceps or bipolar cautery
45334	with control of bleeding (eg, injection, bipolar cautery, unipolar cautery, laser, heater probe, stapler, plasma coagulator)
45335	with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
45337	with decompression of volvulus, any method
45338	with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by snare technique
45339	with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) not amenable to removal by hot biopsy forceps, bipolar cautery or snare technique
45340	with dilation by balloon, 1 or more strictures
45341	with endoscopic ultrasound examination
	with transendoscopic ultrasound guided intramural or
45342	transmural fine needle aspiration/biopsy(s)
45345	with transendoscopic stent placement (includes predilation)
G0104	Colorectal cancer screening; flexible sigmoidoscopy
Colonoscony	
Colonoscopy	

	Colonoscopy, flexible, proximal to splenic flexure;
	diagnostic, with or without collection of specimen(s) by
	brushing or washing, with or without colon
45378	decompression (separate procedure)
45380	with biopsy, single or multiple
45381	with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
	with control of bleeding (eg, injection, bipolar cautery,
	unipolar cautery, laser, heater probe, stapler, plasma
45382	coagulator)
	with ablation of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) not
	amenable to removal by hot biopsy forceps, bipolar
45383	cautery or snare technique
	with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by
45384	hot biopsy forceps or bipolar cautery
	with removal of tumor(s), polyp(s), or other lesion(s) by
45385	snare technique
	Colorectal cancer screening; colonoscopy on individual at
G0105	high risk
	Colorectal cancer screening; colonoscopy on individual
G0121	not meeting criteria for high risk
ICD-9	
45.23	Colonoscopy
45.24	Flexible sigmoidoscopy

Supplemental Figure.

Kaplan-Meier survival estimates for undergoing procedure

