Colorectal Cancer

Cancer that affects the colon and rectum



- Second leading cause of death in women
- Third leading cause of death in men

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Factors that **may increase risk** of colon cancer:

- Obesity
- Low fiber diet
- Inflammatory intestinal conditions (i.e. ulcerative colitis)
- Family history of colon cancer
- Personal history of certain colon polyps
- High alcohol consumption, smoking





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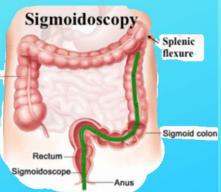
How can you spot colorectal cancer?

1 STOOL TESTS

Test for blood in the doctor's office

2 FLEXIBLE SIGMOIDOSCOPY

Doctor checks for polyps or cancer inside rectum and lower third of colon by putting a short, thin, flexible tube into rectum





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3 COLONOSCOPY

The longer tube is used to check rectum and entire colon (*Please note: a colonoscopy is the preferred test to screen for colorectal cancer.)

