COLORECTAL CANCER

SCREENING GUIDELINES

for people at average risk



TESTING OPTIONS

- Visual exams such as colonoscopy or CT colonography look at the inside of the colon and rectum for polyps (growths) or cancer.
- Stool-based tests look for signs of cancer in stool and can be done at home. These tests include the fecal immunochemical test (FIT), fecal occult blood test (FOBT), and multi-target stool DNA test.
- All abnormal results on non-colonoscopy screening tests should be followed up with a timely colonoscopy.
- People with a family history of polyps or colorectal cancer, or who have other risk factors, might need to start screening before age 45, be screened more often, and/or get specific tests.

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