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Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in men and women (when men and women are combined). It begins in the large intestine (colon) or rectum (large intestine). Screening for colon cancer is so important that when polyps are removed, a colonoscopy is performed. A colonoscopy is a tube with a light at the end. It is used to examine the inside of the colon. A colonoscopy is the gold standard for screening because it has the highest sensitivity. Colonoscopy has been shown to reduce the risk of death from colon cancer by 60% in people with polyps less than 5 mm. No other screening test has been shown to reduce the risk of death from colon cancer.

The number of people diagnosed with colon cancer has decreased in the past 10 years because reimbursement for screening colonoscopy has been shown to prevent most colorectal cancer. Colonoscopy is the most effective that it can be performed every 10 years. Flexible sigmoidoscopy is a less expensive tests which require repeated screening yearly. Because colonoscopy is more expensive than other screening tests, it is the preferred screening test. It finds and removes precancerous polyps during the procedure. Patients who do not schedule a second test.

Fecal Im munochemi cal Test (FI T)

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Stool DNA (Cologuard)

Like FIT, Cologuard is 2014, is a combination abnormal DNA. It detects surface of polyps and hold a stool sample. Test performed. Cologuard Compared to FIT alone (FIT) and better for detecting people become older. (FIT) and the rate of false every 3 years rather than as the best interval, or unknown whether Cologuard less effective than colonoscopy must undergo colonoscopy

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