



OPEN ACCESS COLONOSCOPY INFORMATION

What Is Open Access Colonoscopy?

The Open Access Colonoscopy Program has been developed by Carolina Digestive Health Associates, making colon cancer screening procedures more accessible for everyone. The Open Access program allows healthy patients and patients who have a strong family history of colon cancer between the ages of 50 and 74 to receive a screening colonoscopy without the inconvenience of an initial office visit. This allows patients who qualify to skip the office appointment. This program is extremely popular with today’s busy lifestyles, and we find it encourages patients who have been undecided about having a colonoscopy, to schedule this potentially life-saving procedure. We believe it to be safe and appropriate for the right patients, and most importantly, it saves lives.

By eliminating an extra office visit, the patient saves not only time but a co-pay payment as well. The Open Access colon cancer screening program is accepted and covered by most major insurance companies. The majority of our procedures are conducted at our 5 endoscopy centers, providing the latest in medical technologies, conveniently located in Charlotte, Huntersville, Pineville, University and Monroe.

After the referral form is reviewed, the patient will be contacted and set up for either a colonoscopy or an office visit. Participation in the Open Access Colonoscopy Program is contingent upon pre-procedure insurance approval, medical history and the patient’s desire to participate.

How do I enroll in the Open Access Colonoscopy Program at Carolina Digestive Health?

If you have read over the above information and feel you would be a good candidate for this program, simply turn over the page, complete the short medical questionnaire and fax or mail the completed form as instructed. We will contact you upon receipt.

“We look forward to caring for you.” The Physicians & Staff of Carolina Digestive Health.

Carolina Digestive Health Associates, PA

Endoscopy Center Locations:

Carolina Digestive Endoscopy Center	Gateway Surgery Center	Carolina Endoscopy Centers	Presbyterian Hospital	Carolina Endoscopy Centers	Carolina Endoscopy Center	Carolina Endoscopy Centers
Charlotte	Concord	Huntersville/Lake Norman	Matthews	Monroe	Pineville	University
300 Billingsley Rd., Suite 200-B Charlotte, NC 28211	1025 NE Gateway Ct. NE Concord, NC 28025	16455 Statesville Rd., Suite 114 Huntersville, NC 28078		1321 E Sunset Dr. Monroe, NC 28112	10520 Park Rd., Suite 105 Charlotte, NC 28210	101 E WT Harris Blvd., Suite 3215 Charlotte, NC 28262
Presbyterian Hospital Charlotte	NorthEast Medical Center	Lake Norman Regional Medical Center Presbyterian Hospital Huntersville				

Endoscopy Center Physicians:

Dr. Pascale Anglade	Dr. Anthony Colvin	Dr. Ronnie Cyzner	Dr. Fred Fowler	Dr. Cassandra Minor	Dr. Preston Purdum	Dr. Stephen Stephenson
Dr. John Clements	Dr. Kevin Comar	Dr. Stephen Deal	Dr. Michael Gaspari	Dr. Glen Portwood	Dr. Barry Schneider	Dr. Eric Thompson



Date _____

Referring Physician _____ **Phone** _____ **Fax** _____

Patient Name _____ DOB _____

Best Contact Daytime # _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Home # _____ Soc. Sec. # _____

E-Mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Ins. Name _____ Policy ID # _____ Group # _____

Policy Holder's Name _____ Policy Holder's DOB _____ SS# _____

Please circle Yes or No in answer to the following medical history questions.

- Yes/No On Coumadin/(Warfarin Sodium), iron supplements (excluding multivitamin), Lovenox, Plavix?
- Yes/No On oxygen or CPAP?
- Yes/No Infected with HIV or TB?
- Yes/No Had a coronary/vascular stent within the last year?
- Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?
- Yes/No Had intestinal surgery within the last 3 months?
- Yes/No Problems with: sedation/anesthesia, opening your mouth/breathing tubes?
- Yes/No Are you on therapy for reflux?
- Yes/No Do you have chronic heartburn (greater than 2 times per week)?
- Yes/No Have you ever had an upper endoscopy in the past?
- Yes/No Do you see blood in your bowel movements?
- Yes/No Been hospitalized in the last month?
- Yes/No Been diagnosed with a known bleeding disorder or Anemia?
- Yes/No Had heart pain (angina) or breathing problems in the last 3 months?
- Yes/No Had kidney failure?
- Yes/No Do you have frequent constipation or diarrhea?

- Yes/No Unexplained weight loss greater than 10 lbs. in the last month?
- Yes/No On chronic narcotic pain medicines? If so, how often? _____
- Yes/No Had heart valve surgery?
- Yes/No Do you have abdominal pain? Describe _____
- Yes/No Do you have a defibrillator/pacemaker or combination of both?

- Yes/No Do you have a personal history of Congestive Heart Failure (CHF), renal failure/insufficiency?
- Yes/No Had joint replacement in the last 6 months?
- Yes/No Had a flexible sigmoidoscopy within the past 48 mos.?
- Yes/No Had a colonoscopy previously? When? _____ Where? _____
- Yes/No Do you weigh more than 350 pounds?
- Yes/No Do you have relatives with colon cancer/colon polyps? Who? _____ Age of Diagnosis _____
- Yes/No Been diagnosed with diabetes and on insulin or oral diabetic medication?
- Yes/No Are you confined to a wheelchair?

Do you have any allergies to medications and or Latex? Yes/No Please list _____

What medications are you currently taking? Please list _____

Please list any active medical problems _____

Please return this completed form to our office. If there are no contraindications, you will be assigned to one of our physicians to be set-up for a colonoscopy. You may need a preliminary appointment, if there are medical concerns identified that would need attention before scheduling your colonoscopy. Your insurance company will be notified for benefit verification. *If you have not heard from our office, please call (704) 372-7974 and ask for the Open Access Department.*

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