

# COLORECTAL CANCER

## Screening Considerations

*Colorectal cancer is the second leading cancer killer for both men and women in the United States. It is one of the few cancers that can be prevented through screening.*

### Insurance Considerations for Colorectal Cancer Screening

- Patients should be advised that not all colonoscopies are considered screenings.
- Colonoscopy after a positive FIT, Cologuard®, or CT colonography is typically considered a diagnostic procedure and may have an impact on the patient's out-of-pocket expenses.
- A history of polyps, active GI symptoms, or an existing condition such as irritable bowel disease may also impact insurance coverage of colonoscopy.
- Patients should also be advised to discuss their individual situation with the insurance company to avoid unanticipated expenses.

### Contact Us

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### Reasons to Choose UVA

- We coordinate diagnostic services by gastrointestinal specialists and surgeons to meet needs of each individual patient.
- We offer multiple settings and levels of care using advanced technology for optimal patient access and safety.
- UVA Health System includes a nationally ranked and NCI-designated cancer center.

**UVA CANCER CENTER**  
An NCI-Designated Cancer Center

