



Prepare For Your Appointment

Open dialogue with your doctor and healthcare team is important to understand your colon cancer diagnosis. It's important to learn about your individual colon cancer because it has a direct impact on the treatment options your doctor will consider for you.

The following are some important questions to ask your doctor:

Q: How do I obtain a copy of my pathology report and testing information?

A:

Q: How large and at what stage is my tumor?

A:

Q: Is there a way to tell how quickly my cancer is growing?

A:

Q: How likely is my cancer to spread?

A:

Q: Am I a candidate for the Oncotype DX[®] test, or other tumor specific tests?

A:

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Q: Am I going to need radiation or chemotherapy and if so, what can I expect during that period of time?

A:

Q: Has my cancer metastasized?

A:

Q: How quickly can I expect to recover?

A:

Q: What is my risk of having the cancer come back (recurrence)?

A:

Q: What can I do to help prevent the return of my cancer?

A:

Q: How often do you recommend I be screened for recurrent cancer?

A:

Q: Do you have any recommendations for support groups?

A:

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