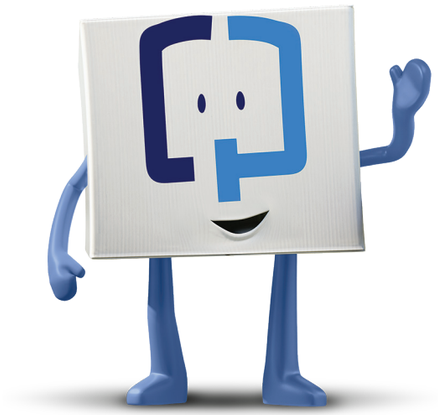
Screening for colon cancer with the Cologuard® test



cologuard®
by EXACT SCIENCES

The Cologuard test is intended to screen adults 45 and older at average risk for colorectal cancer. Rx only.

Please see Important Risk Information on the back of this brochure.

Take control of your health by screening for colon cancer

Colon cancer remains the most preventable yet least prevented form of cancer.[1] That can change with more regular screening.

When caught in early stages, colon cancer is survivable in 9 out of 10 people.[2*]

Many people with early-stage colon cancer have no symptoms or family history.[3]

Colon cancer is the 3rd most common cancer among men and women.[4]

The American Cancer Society recommends you begin screening at age 45.[5]

*Based on 5-year survival.

Understanding your result

Once our lab receives your sample, it typically takes about 2 weeks to get your result.

Your result will be either negative or positive.

Negative: A negative result means the test did not detect altered DNA and/or blood in your stool. You're unlikely to have colon cancer or advanced precancer. Guidelines recommend screening again 3 years after a negative Cologuard result.[5]

Positive: A positive result means the test detected altered DNA and/or blood in your stool. This is not a cancer diagnosis. If your result is positive, talk to your provider and have a colonoscopy.

False positives and negatives do occur.

Most health plans cover a colonoscopy following a positive Cologuard result as part of preventive care and screening.

Want more info about results?

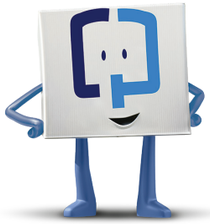
Watch our videos and learn more at
Cologuard.com/UnderstandingResults

The Cologuard test is easy to use and affordable

Over 96% of people pay $0.*

Cologuard is covered by Medicare and most other major insurers.

We can also help you contact your insurer to ask the right questions about coverage. Call us at +1 844-870-8870.



We've got your back

Learn more about insurance coverage at **Cologuard.com/Insurance**

*Exact Sciences estimate based on historical patient billing. Rate of coverage varies by state and region. Exceptions for coverage may apply; only your insurer can confirm how the Cologuard test would be covered.

Tear off this reminder about your Cologuard kit

Set a goal to complete your kit. Write it below and put this somewhere you typically keep reminders.

Need help?
Visit **Cologuard.com** or call Customer Care at **+1 844-870-8870**, every day, 6 AM to 10 PM CT.

My Cologuard kit return goal:
Tip: Set it within two weeks of getting your kit

Noninvasive screening, done your way

Screen with Cologuard in just 3 steps:

1. Set up

Your Cologuard kit ships to you and arrives with all the instructions you need.

2. Sample

Collect a sample in the privacy of your home. It only takes a few minutes.

3. Ship

After you collect your sample, return the kit to UPS® or schedule a pickup.

Want to see more?
Watch our how-to-use video at **Cologuard.com/Use**

Shipping your Cologuard kit

Use the prepaid UPS label to ship the kit back to Exact Sciences Laboratories the same day you collect a sample, or the day after collection.

Make sure a Sunday or holiday will not delay your sample return

You can choose from 2 no-cost return options:

1. Drop the kit off at UPS. Visit **Cologuard.com/UPS** to find local options and hours for drop-off.
2. Schedule a free UPS home pickup online at **Cologuard.com/UPS** or call **+1 844-870-8870** for help.

Indications and Important Risk Information

The Cologuard test is intended to screen adults 45 and older at average risk for colorectal cancer. Do not use a Cologuard test if you have had adenomas, have inflammatory bowel disease and certain hereditary syndromes, or a personal or family history of colorectal cancer. The Cologuard test is not a replacement for colonoscopy in high risk patients. Cologuard test performance in adults ages 45-49 is estimated based on a large clinical study of patients 50 and older. False positives and false negatives can occur. Rx only.

Please see full Important Risk Information at Cologuard.com/risk-information.

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