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GastroMed 'Fast-Track' Screening Colonoscopy

GastroMed is happy to provide direct access (no initial visit) screening colonoscopy. Screening colonoscopy continues to be the gold standard for reduction of colorectal cancer risk; the second leading cause of death due to cancer in the United States.

Candidate age: Average risk 45-75, with individualized decisions for adults 76-85

Disqualifying:

- Severe comorbidities: eg, ESRD (dialysis), CABG, Cirrhosis, CVA, Severe asthma or COPD, eg, on oxygen, CHF, prior airway compromise (eg, paralyzed vocal cord or unplanned intubation with anesthesia)
- BMI >/= 40
- Devices: Defibrillator, pacemaker
- GI symptoms NOT attributed to chronic functional disorder such as rectal bleeding, change in bowel habits, severe abdominal pain or symptoms suggestive of inflammatory bowel disease
- Antiplatelets: High dose ASA 325 mg, Clopidogrel (Plavix), Ticagrelor (Brilinta), Effient (Prasugrel), Aggrenox
- Anticoagulants: Coumadin (Warfarin), Dabigatran (Pradaxa), Apixaban (Eliquis), Lovenox/Heparin, Rivaroxaban (Xarelto)

All who do not meet criteria may be referred for in-office evaluation and risk assessment with appropriate screening counseling.

Daily 81 mg ASA use is ok and does not need to be discontinued for the procedure if there is a clear indication for use.

Not adhering with the above recommended guidelines may result in cancellation of the procedure and rescheduling even after bowel preparation.

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