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 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

Endoscopy Center Locations:

Carolina Digestive Endoscopy Center - Charlotte
300 Billingsley Rd
Charlotte, NC 28211

Carolina Endoscopy Center - Pineville
10520 Park Rd
Charlotte, NC 28210

Carolina Endoscopy Center - Monroe
1321 E Sunset Dr.
Monroe, NC 28112

Carolina Endoscopy Center - University
101E WT Harris Blvd
Charlotte, NC 28262

Carolina Endoscopy Center - Huntersville
16455 Statesville Rd
Huntersville, NC 2870

Local Hospital Locations:

Carolinas Medical Center – Charlotte, Mercy, Pineville, Union, Northeast
Novant – Charlotte, Matthews, Huntersville

Lake Norman Regional Medical Center
Gateway Surgery Center at Concord

Endoscopy Center Physicians:

Dr. John Clements
Dr. Stephen Deal
Dr. Ronnie Cyzner

Dr. Anthony Colvin
Dr. Fred Fowler
Dr. Michael Gaspari

Dr. Ronnie Cyzner
Dr. Cassandra Minor
Dr. Nayan Patel

Dr. Stephen Stephenson
Dr. Glen Portwood
Dr. Barry Schneider

Dr. Tarun Narang
Dr. Preston Purdum

Dr. Stephen Stephenson
Dr. Eric Thompson
Patient Registration Form: Open Access Colonoscopy

Date __________________

Referring Physician ___________________________ Phone __________________________ Fax __________________________

Patient Name ___________________________ DOB ___________ Soc. Sec # __________________________

Best Contact Daytime # _________________________ ___ Cell/Home __________________________ Work __________________________

Address ________________________________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State __________________________ Zip __________________________

Ins. Name ___________________________ Policy ID # __________________________ Group # __________________________

Height ___________________________ Weight __________________________ BMI (Office use only) __________________________ Email __________________________

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

Yes/No Had a coronary or vascular stent within the last year? Yes/No Had a colonoscopy previously?

Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months? When: ______ Where: __________________________

Yes/No Had intestinal surgery in the last 3 months? Yes/No Do you have relatives with colon cancer?

Yes/No Problems with: sedation/anesthesia, opening your mouth/breathing tubes? Who? _________ Age at diagnosis? _________

Yes/No Do you have relatives with colon polyps? Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?

Yes/No Had intestinal surgery in the last 3 months? Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?

Yes/No Do you have black stools? Who? _________ Age at diagnosis? _________

Yes/No Been hospitalized in the last month? Yes/No Do you have allergies to medications and/or latex? Please List: __________________________

Yes/No Been diagnosed with a bleeding disorder or anemia? Yes/No Do you have allergies to medications and/or latex? Please List: __________________________

Yes/No Had heart pain (angina) or breathing problems (COPD) in the last 3 months? Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?

Yes/No Do you have upper abdominal pain, heartburn, or difficulty swallowing? Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?

Yes/No Unexplained weight loss greater than 10lbs in the last month? Yes/No Had a heart attack or stroke in the last 6 months?

Yes/No On chronic narcotic pain medicines? When, how often? __________________________

Yes/No Had heart valve surgery? Yes/No Had a defibrillator or pacemaker?

Yes/No Do you have a defibrillator or pacemaker? Yes/No Are you having constipation?

Yes/No Are you having constipation? Yes/No Been diagnosed with diabetes?

Yes/No Been diagnosed with diabetes? Yes/No Are you confined to a wheelchair?

Yes/No Been diagnosed with TB (Tuberculosis)? When: __________________________

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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) 372-1615.

Please return this completed form to our office via mail, fax, or email at one of the following:

Mail: Open Access Team
Carolina Digestive Health Associates
3541 Randolph Rd, Ste 301
Charlotte, NC 28211

Fax: (704) 372-3605

Email: newpatient@carolinadigestive.com

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