



Screening for bowel cancer when you have cystic fibrosis

Adult Cystic Fibrosis Service

Information for Patients

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Why do I need bowel cancer screening?

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Cystic Fibrosis Trust advise that patients with cystic fibrosis (PWCF) have bowel screening if they are:

- aged 40 and over
- aged 30 and over and have had an organ transplant

This is because there have been recent studies that show PWCF have a higher risk of bowel cancer. This is thought to be due to the faulty gene that causes cystic fibrosis.

What is a bowel cancer?

Bowel cancer is a general term for cancer that begins in the large bowel. It sometimes starts in the small bowel but this is rarer than large bowel cancer.

What tests are available?

Your hospital doctor will talk to you about the test you may have.

There are 2 types of tests you could have:

- Colonoscopy a flexible tube with a small camera attached is inserted into your bottom (for more information please ask for leaflet 'Having a colonoscopy to look inside your large bowel')
- Colon capsule endoscopy (Endocap) a small capsule with a camera inside that you swallow (for more information please ask for leaflet 'Having a capsule endoscopy to examine your small and/or large bowel')

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What happens next?

Your hospital doctor will refer you for bowel screening and you will be asked to come to the hospital for a test.

If you would like to talk about this or have any questions then please contact the Adult Cystic Fibrosis Team.

Contact details

If you need to talk about this referral please contact:

Glenfield Hospital: 0116 250 2699

Adult Cystic Fibrosis Team email: AdultCysticFibrosisS@uhl-tr.nhs.uk

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