



FOR SAN FRANCISCO ONLY

COLONOSCOPY

Colonoscopy is the visual examination of the large intestine (colon) using a lighted, flexible fiber optic or video endoscope.

*New or first time patients are seen by referral from your primary care provider.
Specific instructions about your appointment will be sent in the mail.*

If your care provider has recommended that you undergo a colonoscopy, you **must** attend a group appointment of approximately 45 minutes. During this appointment, we will present a videotape describing colonoscopy including the benefits and risks of the procedure. A Registered Nurse will then be available to review the preparation for colonoscopy, and to answer any questions. At the end of the appointment, you will be able to schedule an appointment for the procedure.

If you have had a colonoscopy in the past and are returning for a recheck, you are still required to attend the class.

Most people find these small groups informative, helpful, and reassuring. We hope you will too.

