

Low-Cost Colonoscopy Programs

New York City guidelines for colorectal cancer screening recommend that people 50 years of age and older undergo a colonoscopy every 10 years.

1) **New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC)**

The HHC hospitals listed below provide colonoscopy for patients at low or no cost. Appropriate patients can be referred directly for a colonoscopy. Hospitals that accept the 'Direct Referral for Colonoscopy Procedure' form are **bolded** below. Otherwise, patients can be referred for a GI consult prior to the procedure. HHC hospitals have Navigators who will support the referred patient including assisting with insurance.

Brooklyn

- Coney Island Hospital: (718) 616-4715
- **Kings County Hospital Center: (718) 245-3080 Fax: (718) 245-3428**
- Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center: (718) 963-5763

Bronx

- **Jacobi Medical Center and North Central Bronx Hospital: (718) 519-4940**

Manhattan

- **Bellevue Hospital Center: (212) 562-1011**
- Harlem Hospital Center: (212) 939-8226
- **Metropolitan Hospital Center: (212) 423-6491**

Queens

- Elmhurst Hospital Center: (718) 334-2286
- Queens Hospital Center: (718) 883-4444

2) **New York State Department of Health**

The NYS Department of Health operates a colorectal cancer screening program for men and women age 50 and over who are under-insured or uninsured. This program provides colonoscopy for high risk patients (patients with a family history of colorectal cancer or symptoms). Average risk patients are screened with an annual fecal occult blood test (FOBT) or fecal immunochemical test (FIT). Diagnostic colonoscopy is covered if either of these tests indicates follow-up is necessary. For more information, contact any of the following programs:

Brooklyn

Brooklyn Healthy Living Partnership: (718) 622-2492, ext. 5133

Bronx

Bronx Cancer Services Program Partnership: (718) 547-5064, ext. 2106
South Bronx Healthy Living Partnership: (718) 579-5134

Manhattan

Cancer Services Program of Manhattan: (212) 237-3910

Queens

Queens Healthy Living Partnership: (718) 263-2225, ext. 5540

Staten Island

Staten Island Healthy Living Partnership: (718) 226-6447

