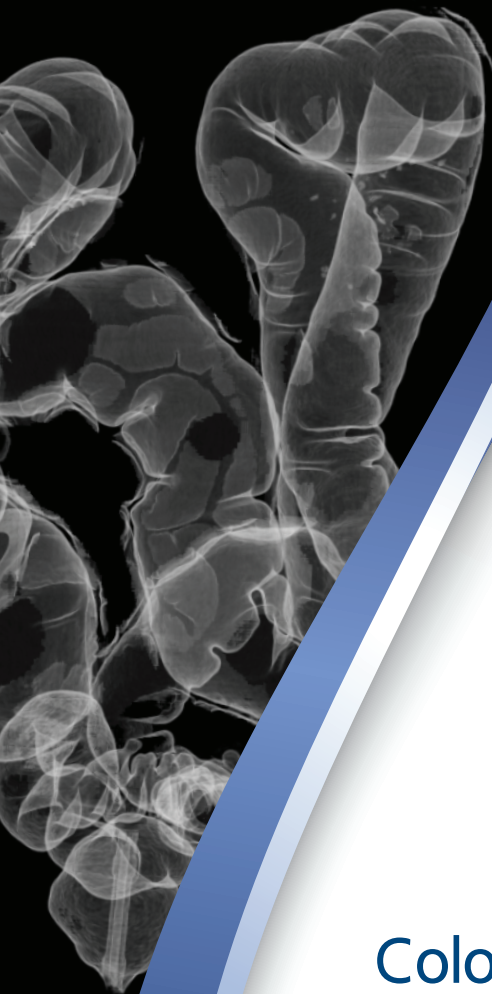


# CT Colonography (CTC)



## Virtual Colonoscopy



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Colorectal cancer is the second leading cancer killer in the U.S. If everyone over 45 years old was regularly screened, as many as 80% of these deaths could be prevented. Unfortunately, many patients avoid regular screenings because of sedation concerns, the invasive nature, or the length of time associated with colonoscopy.

One available option is CT Colonography (CTC), also known as Virtual Colonoscopy. CTC is a screening study comprised of 2D and 3D images of the colon which a subspecialized radiologist reads to detect polyps or cancer.

This technique is less invasive than standard colonoscopy and provides other benefits as well:

- There is no sedation or anesthesia
- You do not need a driver for the exam
- You can immediately resume normal activity
- The exam takes about 10 minutes
- There is a decreased risk of bleeding and infection compared to a regular colonoscopy
- Preps can be picked up at any RIMI location

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