

Colorectal Surgery

Introduction

The Cambridge Colorectal Unit aims to provide a comprehensive specialist service to care for patients with colorectal disorders affecting the colon, rectum and anus. Patients will be guided by a dedicated team of doctors, specialist nurses and allied professionals through their encounter with the Unit from their first clinic visit, subsequent diagnostic tests and treatments including surgery if required.

Conditions treated by the team include: anal fissures, anal fistulas, anal and colon polyps, bowel incontinence, diverticular disease, haemorrhoids (piles), inflammatory bowel disease (Colitis and Crohn's), pilonidal sinus, pruritus ani (anal itchiness), rectal prolapse and colorectal cancer (cancer of the colon and rectum)

Guidance for Patients

Most patients will be awaiting an outpatient clinic appointment for assessment and discussion of management options for their bowel symptoms.

Information and advice can be found via the links below:

The website also has details of what symptoms you should discuss with your GP and when to seek urgent medical attention

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/anal-fissure/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/anal-fistula/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/anal-pain/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/bowel-incontinence/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/diverticular-disease-and-diverticulitis/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/piles-haemorrhoids/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/inflammatory-bowel-disease/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/pilonidal-sinus/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/bowel-polyps/>

Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland Resources for Patients

<https://www.acpgbi.org.uk/patients/>

What should I do if my health is deteriorating?

If you are waiting for your first outpatient's appointment, please speak to your GP who can contact us and alert us to bring forward your appointment.

If you are an existing patient, please contact your consultant's secretary or your specialist nurse.

Contact Us

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