

People Count on You

COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING:

DO IT FOR YOUR FAMILY TODAY!

YOU MIGHT FEEL FINE. YOU MIGHT THINK YOU CAN SKIP IT. BUT YOUR FAMILY CAN'T.



IF YOU DON'T GET SCREENED

- You may have colorectal cancer without knowing it. Early stages often have no symptoms.
- Your family could lose you sooner than they should.
- Your absence affects more than just you. Children, parents, partners, and friends depend on you every day. Medical bills and emotional stress hit your loved ones if cancer is diagnosed late.

SCREENING CAN PREVENT THIS

- Colorectal cancer can often be prevented by detecting and removing small growths on the inner lining of your colon (polyps) early.
- Survival rates are over 90% when found early.
- Screening saves lives and protects your family from potential worry and hardship.

You don't have to feel sick to take action — **catching it early is the key.**

SCREENING IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK

- At-home stool test (FIT/FOBT/Cologuard): Quick, private, mailed back — done in minutes.
- Colonoscopy: Safe, routine, usually once every 10 years, or more frequently if needed.

The best test is the one you actually do for them, **not just you.**

TAKE ACTION TODAY

- ✓ Call your doctor or local clinic to schedule your screening.
- ✓ Ask for a home test kit if visiting a clinic is hard.
- ✓ Let a loved one help you through it. They want you around for years to come.



IPHA.com

Funding is made possible by a grant from the Illinois Department of Public Health.