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Colorectal Surgery

The colon and rectum are part of your large intestine. Their main purpose is to process and pass waste from your body. Common benign (non-cancerous) conditions that may affect your colon and cause symptoms include: diverticulitis, ulcerative colitis, Crohn’s disease and rectal prolapse. If medicine and lifestyle changes do not ease your symptoms, your doctor may suggest surgery, such as:

Colectomy/Colon Resection
Surgery to remove the diseased part of your colon and connect the healthy bowel that remains.

Right Colectomy
Surgery on the right side of your colon (large intestine).

Left Colectomy
Surgery on the left side of your colon.

Sigmoid Colectomy
Surgery on the sigmoid colon (lower left part of your colon before your rectum).

Total Colectomy
Surgery to remove the entire colon.

Rectopexy
Surgery to help restore the rectum to its normal position.

Open Surgery
Surgery is performed through one large incision in the abdomen which allows doctors to access your organs as they operate.

Robotic Surgery

A MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL OPTION

Using the robotic surgical system, surgeons operate through a few small incisions. The system has a 3D HD vision that gives doctors a magnified view inside the body. It also has small instruments that bend and rotate far greater than the human hand. These features are designed to enable surgeons to operate with enhanced vision, precision and control. Robotic Colectomy may offer the following potential benefits compared to traditional laparoscopy:

- **Less blood loss**
- **Quicker return of bowel function**
- **Lower rate of complications**
- **Shorter hospital stay**
- **Small incisions for minimal scarring**
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