

# Colonoscopy Costs

General guidelines for colonoscopy costs, contact your insurance for exact benefits & costs.

## Typically FREE

### Screening or "Preventative" Colonoscopy

Typically, insurance covers **100% of the costs**. Performed on asymptomatic patients to test for the presence of colorectal polyps or cancer.

Criteria for patients:

1. **45** years of age or older
2. **NO** gastrointestinal symptoms: e.g., abdominal pain, diarrhea, rectal bleeding
3. **NO** screening colonoscopy within the last 10 years
4. **NO** personal history of colon polyps, colon cancer or gastrointestinal disease

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If you **had colon polyps** in the past

If you **have** gastrointestinal symptoms

If you **have** personal history of colon cancer or colon polyps

## Typically NOT Fully Paid

### Diagnostic Colonoscopy

Performed on patients to evaluate abnormal findings or symptoms.

**Patient is responsible for any copay, coinsurance, or deductible.**

**\* If you had colon polyps in the past, your colonoscopy is diagnostic.**

Criteria for patients:

1. **Had colon polyps** in the past
2. **Have a gastrointestinal disease**
3. **Have gastrointestinal symptoms:** e.g., abdominal pain, diarrhea, rectal bleeding, or abnormal imaging of the colon (CT scan or MRI)

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**Contact your insurance** to determine your specific benefits and possible out of pocket costs (deductible, coinsurance, facility copay) for the procedure. It is important to inquire about both the physician and facility costs, discuss any symptoms and/or personal history (including prior colonoscopy dates and findings), and family history related to your procedure.

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