

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
Stool DNA Test for Colon Cancer

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	ONE OUT OF EVERY 17 PEOPLE WILL DEVELOP COLON CANCER. WHILE IT'S LARGELY PREVENTABLE, RELATIVELY FEW PEOPLE GET SCREENED.
David Ahlquist, M.D.	"ONE OF THE PROBLEMS IS THEY ARE CONCERNED, OR AFRAID OF INVASIVE TESTS LIKE COLONOSCOPY."
	THAT'S WHY DOCTORS, LIKE MAYO CLINIC GASTROENTEROLOGIST DAVID AHLQUIST, ARE LOOKING FOR EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVES. ONE THAT SHOWS PROMISE IS STOOL DNA TESTING. IN A

	RECENT STUDY, RESEARCHERS WERE ABLE TO DETECT ABOUT 50-PERCENT OF BOTH CANCEROUS AND PRE-CANCEROUS GROWTHS, SIMPLY BY TESTING STOOL SAMPLES. IT'S HOPED THAT FURTHER RESEARCH WILL PUSH THAT ACCURACY UP. PLUS, IT'S PATIENT FRIENDLY. IT'S NON-INVASIVE AND THERE'S NONE OF THE MUCH MALIGNED BOWEL PREP.
Dr. Ahlquist	"WE HOPE THAT A TEST LIKE STOOL DNA WILL TRANSLATE INTO HIGHER PARTICIPATION RATES"
	WITH LOWER CANCER RATES AS A RESULT.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG . I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.

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