

# March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month



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According to the American Cancer Society, colorectal cancer is one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths in the United States. There is no single cause for colon cancer. Nearly all colon cancers begin as noncancerous (benign) polyps, which slowly develop into cancer. Affecting both men and women, there may or may not be symptoms. However, early diagnosis often leads to a complete cure.

## “Colon Cancer: What You Need to Know”

Tuesday, March 20, 2012

6:30 p.m.

Ivy Room 1, First Floor

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Dr. Doug Haghighi, a gastroenterologist will explain what colon cancer is, discuss the risk factors, the importance of screening, and how it can be treated.

Join Dr. Haghighi and learn if you are at risk or increased risk for colon cancer, what the current screening recommendations are and what you can do to help prevent it.

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