Cancer that forms in the tissues of the colon (the longest part of the large intestine). Most colon cancers are adenocarcinomas (cancers that begin in cells that make and release mucus and other fluids). An estimated 106,000 cases of colon cancer will be diagnosed in the United States in 2009.

For more information, visit the National Cancer Institute's page on colon cancer: http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/types/colon-and-rectal
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Treatment at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center

Colon cancer patients at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center are seen in the center's Multidisciplinary Gastrointestinal Oncology Clinic, located on the fourth floor of The Kirklin Clinic. The clinic treats all types of GI cancers, including esophageal cancer, stomach cancer, liver cancer, pancreatic cancer, bile duct cancer, colon cancer and rectal cancer, as well as soft-tissue sarcomas and endocrine diseases (thyroid, parathyroid, pancreas and adrenal).

The clinic's multidisciplinary approach to treatment provides access to a team of dedicated specialists, including medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, surgical oncologists and radiologists, who work together to design the most effective treatment plan possible.

About the Multidisciplinary Gastrointestinal Oncology Clinic

Make an appointment

The experience

Find UAB doctors who treat colon cancer

Gastrointestinal Oncology Multidisciplinary Clinic:

The Kirklin Clinic, 5th floor

2000 6th Avenue South

Birmingham, AL 35233

Colon Cancer Research at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center

The UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center is a nationally recognized leader in the research and treatment of colon cancer. The center played an integral role in the development and approval of two important drugs used to treat colon cancer – Avastin and Erbitux, the latter of which was the first monoclonal antibody approved by the FDA for the treatment of colon cancer.

The Cancer Center also researches minimally invasive surgical techniques, including laparascopic procedures, in order to improve patient comfort and recovery.

Clinical Trials

Our Discoveries

Colon Cancer Survivor Features

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Related Services at UAB

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Resources and Information about Colon Cancer

National Cancer Institute

American Cancer Society

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Colon Cancer Alliance

Community Events

Join the community and support the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center and its mission of eliminating cancer as a major public health problem by participating in an upcoming event. Your support leads us to effective treatments and cures for cancer.

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To Become a Patient

UAB HealthFinder can connect you to the service you need. You can access HealthFinder by calling **(205) 934-9999** or toll-free **1-800-UAB-8816** or you can **make your appointment online** .