

# Colonoscopy

Colonoscopy is an invasive examination of the colon frequently performed in routine medical practice. Patients with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome have a fragility of the colon which can make this examination dangerous. It is therefore in principle avoided, in order to prevent potentially serious complications.



### WHAT IS RECOMMENDED

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- Colonoscopy screening for common diseases of the colon should be avoided.
- Colonic video capsule should be the preferred examination whenever possible over invasive exploration of the colon.



### WHAT YOU SHOULD NOT DO

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- Perform a colonoscopy after an episode of spontaneous perforation of the colon, particularly in a patient who has previously experienced a colonic perforation.