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Colorectal Conditions

Constipation

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Anal Fistulas

Fecal Incontinence Dyssynergic Defecation

Prolapse

Levator Ani Syndrome

Proctalgia Fugax

IBS

Constipation

Constipation:

When bowel movements become less frequent and stools become difficult to pass.

Symptoms:

- Infrequent bowel movements
- Straining to go
- Hard or small stools
- A sense that everything didn't come out
- Belly bloating

Rome IV Constipation Criteria:

- Straining during more than 25% of total defecation
- Lumpy or hard stools type 1- 2 on the Bristol more than 25% of defecation
- Sensation of incomplete evacuation more than 25% of defecation
- Sensation of anorectal obstruction or blockage more than 25% of defecation
- Manual maneuvers to facilitate more than 25% with splinting, such as with a finger
- Fewer than three bowel movements per week bullet loose stools are rarely present without the use of laxatives
- Insufficient criteria for IBS

Some Causes for Constipation:

- Changes to diet or activities
- Not enough water or fiber
- Dairy products
- Not being active
- Resisting the urge to poop
- Stress
- Overuse of laxatives
- Some medications

More Causes for Constipation:

- Eating disorders
- Irritable Bowel Syndrome
- Pregnancy
- Problems with the nerves and muscles in the digestive system
- Colon cancer
- Neurological conditions such as Parkinson's Disease or Multiple Sclerosis
- Hypothyroidism
- Excess calcium in the blood



Risks For Constipation:

- Older age
- Pregnancy and postpartum
- Having certain neurological and digestive disorders

Constipation is one of the most frequent gastrointestinal complaints.

The stats are **higher** for our clientele.



