



The Bux-Mont Endoscopy Center, L.P. is pleased to announce our FIVE YEAR Anniversary! It seems like just yesterday when we were reviewing plans and contemplating this new adventure! Our success comes from your many patient referrals so please join us in our OPEN HOUSE celebration on Friday, March 15 from 4:30-7:30 PM. All physicians and their staff are invited. We also wish to recognize March as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Food and refreshments will be served along with the chance to win some awesome raffle prizes, including PHILLIES Tickets!

Adenoma Detection & Malignancies

We continually monitor our adenoma detection rate for our asymptomatic, average risk patients aged 50 and over with no personal or family history of colorectal polyps or cancer. In 2012, **our total average adenoma rate for all physicians combined was 28.5%**. When compared against adenoma detection benchmarking criteria of $\geq 25\%$ for men and $\geq 15\%$ in women¹ our numbers are well above the published average. Additionally, our physicians diagnosed 25 cases of cancer from our total patient population for 2012 which were mostly adenocarcinomas diagnosed from our colonoscopy patients.

Risk Management

We are proud to announce our patients experienced **NO post procedural infections, perforations, falls or burns for 2012!** Bleeding complications after colonoscopy were 5 out of 2682 (0.2%) which is favorable compared to published rates of 1 to 2 percent. One patient required transfusion, one required surgery for a new diagnosis of adenocarcinoma and the others resolved with endoscopic treatment.

Pediatric Patients

In 2011, the Bux-Mont Endoscopy Center facilitated the process through the PA State Department of Health to care for pediatric patients ages 14-17. Our goal in providing this service is to keep this patient population close to home and to provide quality care within our community without the wait or need to travel.

Cecal Withdrawal Times

Quality data is gathered and maintained on our cecal withdrawal times. An average withdrawal time of six minutes or greater is associated with a higher rate of polyp detection. Here at Bux-Mont Endoscopy, our 2012 withdrawal time of six minutes or greater was achieved in 99.4% of all colonoscopies performed.

SOME FACTS ABOUT COLORECTAL CANCER²

- Colorectal cancer (CRC) is the third-leading cause of death from cancer in the United States for men and women. It is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer in the United States (excluding skin cancers).
- More than 140,000 people in the United States are diagnosed with colorectal cancer each year, and over 50,000 die because of it annually.
- The majority of CRC can be prevented with proper screening, early detection and removal of adenomatous polyps. Screening helps prevent CRC by finding precancerous polyps so they can be removed before they turn into cancer.
- Only about 50 percent of adults who should have colonoscopies comply with recommended guidelines. More than 60 percent of Americans aged 50 or older, approximately 42 million people, have not utilized any screening method for CRC.

¹ Measuring the Quality of Endoscopy, *Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*, Vol. 63, No. 4, 2006, S21.

² American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, Media Backgrounder, Colorectal Cancer Screening, Facts About Colorectal Cancer, Reviewed November 2010.

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