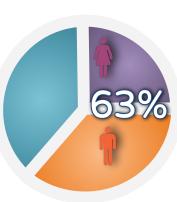


Lowering Bowel Cancer Risk

Over 63% of UK bowel cancers are preventable

26,485

preventable cancer case each year





Poor Lifestyle & Overweight 10,900*PCI (26%)

*Preventable Cancer Incidence

Poor diet: low in fruits, veg, whole grains, high in meat and processed foods

Poor lifestyle: Smoking, alcohol, low activity and overweight

Bowel cancer, also called colon cancer, is the **fourth** most common cancer diagnosed in the UK. Every year more than **41,000** people are diagnosed with this serious and life-changing condition.

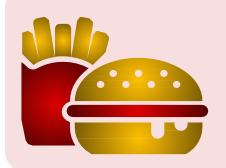


AVOID RED AND PROCESSED MEAT.

OF OTHER **MEAT**.

FOLLOWING A
PREDOMINANTLY
PLANT-BASED DIET CAN
REDUCE THE RISK OF
BOWEL CANCER.





AVOID CONSUMPTION OF **PROCESSED FOODS** HIGH IN SALT, SUGAR & SATURATED FAT.

BE A **HEALTHY WEIGHT.**

BMI between 18.5-24.9





LIMIT **ALCOHOL** CONSUMPTION. Under 14 units per week.

BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE.

150 minutes of moderate intensity activity a week (30 mins, 5 days a week).





DO NOT SMOKE

Ex-smokers can reverse their risk of bowel cancer to that of a non-smoker.

EAT A DIET RICH IN BEANS, WHOLE GRAINS, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

At least 5 portions of fruit & veg Aim for at least 30g of fibre/day.



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NHS Bowel Screening Programmes

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