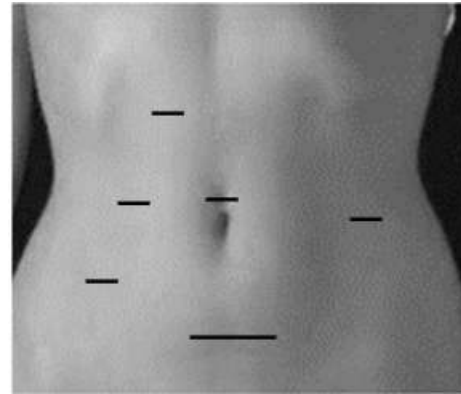
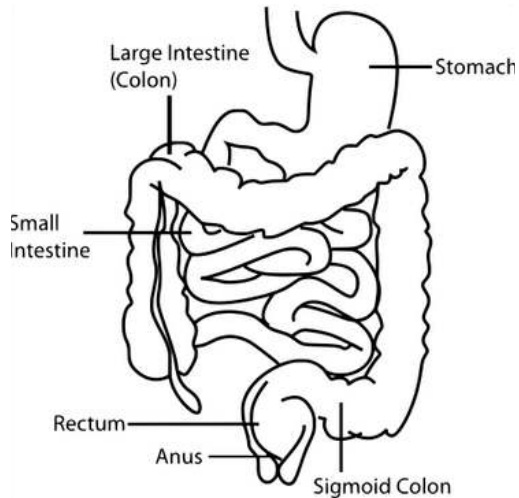


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## Colon Cancer (Left/sigmoid)



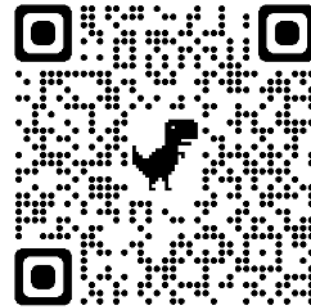
### Risks of surgery:

- 1% risk of dying
- Bleeding
  - 5% risk of needing a blood transfusion
- Infection
  - 10-20% risk of wound infection
  - 5% risk of leak from the bowel join (anastomotic leak)
- Injury to other structures
- Conversion to open surgery

### Recovery:

- Goal time in hospital: 2-3 days
  - Average time is 4-5 days
- Discharge home when:
  - pain is controlled on pills
  - up walking
  - eating
  - passing gas
- 4-6 weeks at home until fully recovered

For more information, go to:



<https://www.northyorkcolorectal.ca/resource/left-hemicolectomy-sigmoid-resection/>