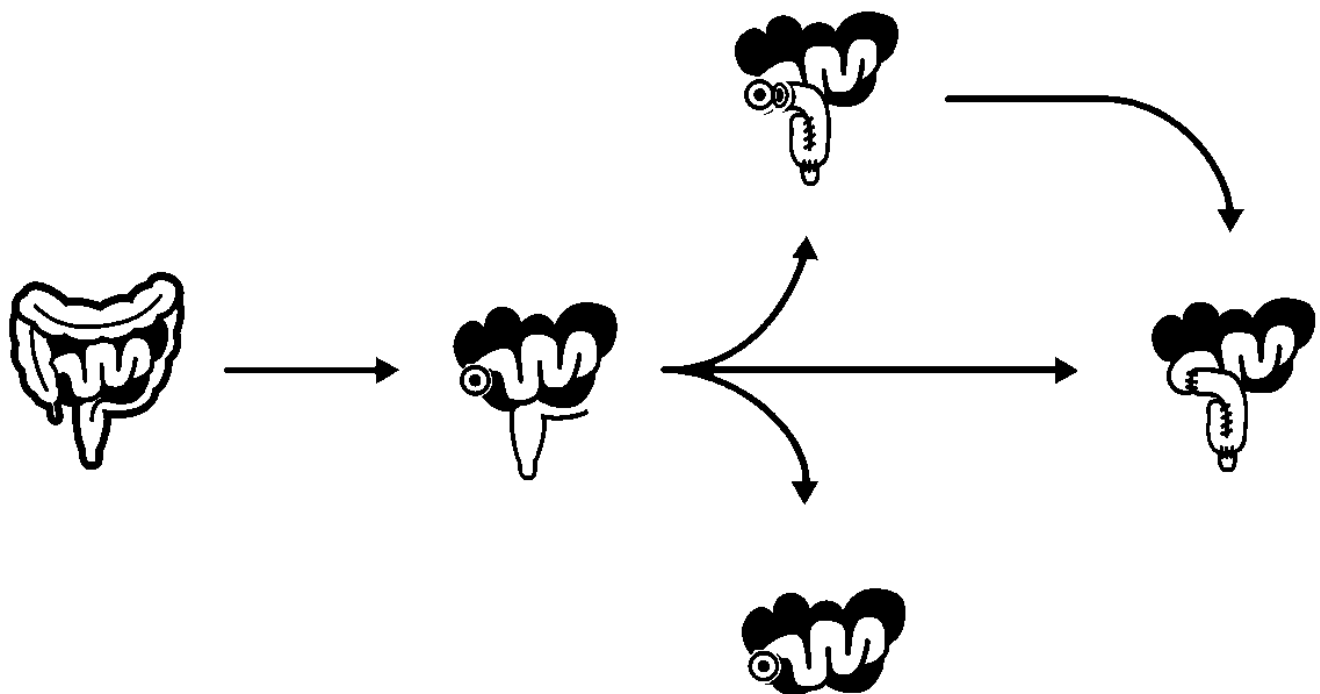
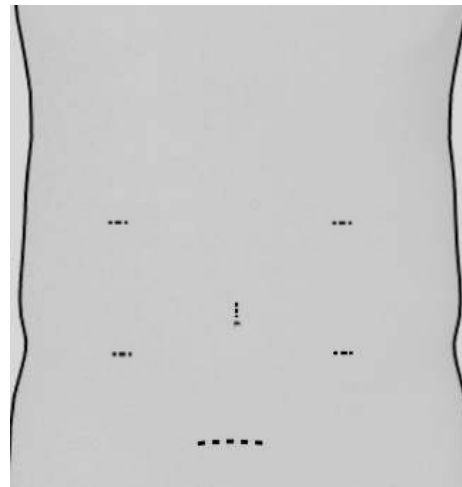
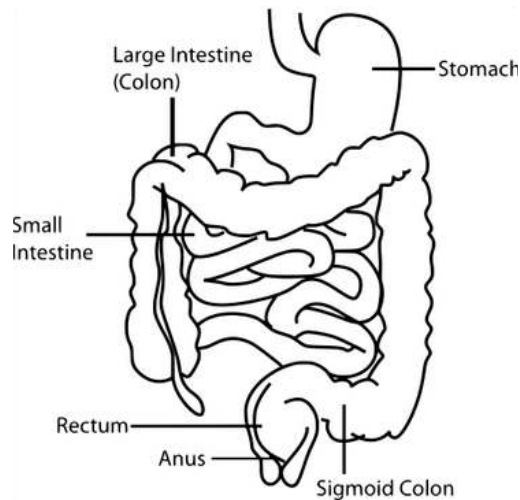


Subtotal colectomy



Risks of surgery:

- 1% risk of dying
- Bleeding
 - 5% risk of needing a blood transfusion
- Infection
 - 10-20% risk of wound infection
 - Small risk of leak from the rectal stump
- Injury to other structures
- Conversion to open surgery

Recovery:

- Goal time in hospital: 4 days
 - Average time is 5-7 days
- Discharge home when:
 - pain is controlled on pills
 - up walking
 - eating
 - comfortable managing your ileostomy
- 4-6 weeks at home until fully recovered

Life with a J pouch:

- Most patients move their bowels 6-8 times per day and 1-2 bowel movements per night
- Most do not experience urgency or incontinence
- Due to complications or poor function around 10% of patients will end up living with a permanent ileostomy

For more information go to:



<https://www.northyorkcolorectal.ca/resource/ulcerative-colitis/>