



**Mayo Clinic Minute: AI advances help care teams find hard-to-see colon polyps**

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<i>Anchor Intro</i>	Technology is changing how doctors detect colon cancer. New AI-enhanced imaging tools help physicians find subtle polyps that might otherwise be missed.  Alex Osiadacz {oh-SIDE-us} reports in this Mayo Clinic Minute.
	Polyps in the colon can vary in size and shape, some more mushroom-shaped or...
MICHAEL WALLACE, M.D. GASTROENTEROLOGY Mayo Clinic	"Some polyps spread out more like a bed of moss. They're flat."
	Dr. Michael Wallace, a Mayo Clinic gastroenterologist, says advances in imaging and tools help care teams detect and treat difficult polyps.
MICHAEL WALLACE, M.D. GASTROENTEROLOGY Mayo Clinic	"Technology has been clearly shown to improve our ability to find more polyps and reduce the miss rate for some of these flat, subtle polyps."
	Early detection leads to better outcomes.
MICHAEL WALLACE, M.D. GASTROENTEROLOGY Mayo Clinic	"Stage 1 cancer, we can actually remove that through an endoscope or through a colonoscope, specifically, in a curative way. And this is something that has had profound implications for patient care."
	Dr. Wallace says the most important step is to get screened.
MICHAEL WALLACE, M.D. GASTROENTEROLOGY Mayo Clinic	"This is a preventable cancer. It's one of the very few cancers that we can almost completely prevent. So getting screened starting at the age of 45 — one caveat there is — if you do have a family history of colon cancer, you may need to start even earlier."
	For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I'm Alex Osiadacz.