



Gastrointestinal Malignancies: Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment

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Gastrointestinal (GI) malignancies are a diverse group of cancers with a significant incidence and prevalence around the world. Caring for patients affected by these malignancies is complex and involves multiple disciplines. The non-specific signs and symptoms of these cancers pose a diagnostic challenge to primary care providers, which can result in delays in diagnosis. Once diagnosed, treatments are arduous, lengthy, and have a significant impact on the patient's quality of life. Due to the involvement of the digestive system, nutritional issues are common among patients and affect patients' quality of life and survival.

Despite all of these issues, the changes in the treatment landscape are helping a higher number of patients be cured or live longer. It is now incumbent upon us to better understand the needs of this population, enhance and address the care delivery pathways through better diagnosis, treatment, and support, and improve the value of care delivered to these patients and populations.





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