

LYNCH SYNDROME

A genetic condition with a high risk of developing colon and other cancers.
Knowing your family history is the first step to preventing and surviving cancer.

1 in **279**

Americans are Lynch positive

95% do not know it



WHAT IS LYNCH SYNDROME?

Lynch syndrome is a genetic condition that increases a person's risk for certain cancers. Many individuals with a Lynch mutation develop related cancers at very early ages, much younger than the general population. Cancer screening should begin earlier for patients with a known Lynch mutation.

Lynch syndrome is the most common inherited cause of colorectal cancer (80% lifetime risk) and endometrial cancer (60% lifetime risk for women).

Lynch-related cancers include:

- Colorectal cancer
- Stomach cancer
- Hepatobiliary tract cancer (liver/bile duct)
- Urinary tract cancer (renal pelvis, ureter, bladder)
- Small bowel cancer (intestines)
- Pancreatic cancer
- Brain or central nervous system tumor
- Endometrial cancer (in women)
- Ovarian cancer (in women)

To learn more visit [AliveAndKickn.org](https://www.aliveandkickn.org), or talk to a genetic counselor about your family history and to assess your risk.

The Colon Cancer Coalition has partnered with AliveAndKickn, a hereditary cancer foundation, to help expand colorectal cancer and Lynch syndrome education.

To watch stories from Lynch syndrome patients and previvors, visit [LivingWithLynch.org](https://www.livingwithlynch.org).



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