

Cystoscopy

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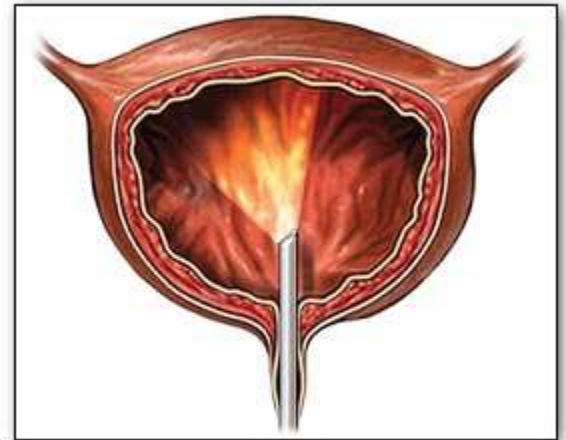
Cystoscopy is a procedure performed by a urologist to evaluate a patient's bladder, urethra, and prostate. In this procedure, a cystoscope (thin, telescope-like tube with a light and tiny camera attached) is inserted into the bladder through the urethra (tube that carries urine from the bladder out of the body).

This allows the urologist to identify:

- Stones
- Polyps
- Tumors
- Prostatic enlargement
- Other anatomical disorders of the lower urinary tract

Cystoscopy may be used to evaluate and diagnose the following conditions:

- Bladder cancer
- Pelvic pain
- Frequent urinary tract infections (UTIs)
- Interstitial cystitis
- Painful urination
- Urinary blockage (e.g., enlarged prostate [BPH], narrowing of the urinary tract [stricture], polyps, tumors)
- Urinary incontinence or overactive bladder
- Urinary stones



It is often necessary to perform a cystoscopy in order to evaluate patients with blood in their urine (a condition known as [hematuria](#)). Cystoscopy is also performed to remove stents in patients who have undergone hospital-based urological procedures.









There are two methods of performing a cystoscopy. One method utilizes a flexible scope, while the other method utilizes a rigid scope.



- Rigid cystoscopy is often performed in the hospital with patients under anesthesia.

- Flexible cystoscopy is more often employed in the office since it is more comfortable for patients. If necessary, a small amount of sedation is administered to help with patient comfort.

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