

## FACTSHEET



## GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS

Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

IBD refers to inflammation or chronic swelling

IBS is a chronic **syndrome** made up of a group of symptoms.  $\bigoplus_{i \in A} : G$ 

of the intestines.Crohn's disease

• Ulcerative colitis (UC)

## **Symptoms:**

- Gas
- Bloating
- Trouble sleeping
- Constipation

Both are digestive conditions affecting esophagus, stomach and intestines and share the following symptoms:



- Abdominal pain
- Diarrhea
- Cramping
- Fatigue



- Blood in the stool
- Anemia
- Weight loss

Does not cause inflammation, rarely requires hospitalization/surgery	Can cause destructive inflammation and permanent harm to the intestines
No visible signs of disease or abnormality during an exam of the colon	Inflammation visible during examination  • Blood and stool tests  • Diagnostic imaging (CT or MRI)  • Colonoscopy
<ul><li>Dietary modifications</li><li>Medication</li><li>Therapy</li></ul>	<ul><li>Dietary modifications</li><li>Medication</li><li>Surgery</li></ul>
No increased risk for colorectal cancer or IBD	Increased risk for colorectal cancer

