Colostomy Resources

Colostomy is a surgical procedure that brings one end of the large intestine out through an opening (stoma) made in the abdominal wall. Stools moving through the intestine drain through the stoma into a bag attached to the abdomen, bypassing the rectum and anus.

A colostomy is a major surgery and the pros and cons should be weighed carefully. One pro often cited is that a colostomy can significantly cut down on the time spent on bowel care. The cons include the possibility of complications such as skin irritation, infection, and leakage among others.

Source: MedlinePlus

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