

SMALL BOWEL CAPSULE ENDOSCOPY

What is the Purpose of a Small Bowel Capsule Endoscopy?

Capsule endoscopy **gives your doctor a picture of the inside of your digestive system** that cannot be seen through other X-rays.

Your gastroenterologist will use the images from this test to look for abnormalities in your small bowel, such as:

- Bleeding.
- Polyps.
- Tumors.
- Celiac disease.
- Crohn's disease.
- Erosions (superficial ulcers).
- Other suspected small bowel diseases.

Your gastroenterologist **may also use capsule endoscopy to check the progress after treatment** for these health problems. If your doctor sees a problem on capsule endoscopy, you may need to have some other test to confirm or treat the health issue.

