

To whom it may concern
From Marilyn Grosshans
Subject: Irresponsible health care in Las Vegas

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Due to both of my parents dying from colon cancer, as well as several aunts and uncles, I have had a colonoscopy every 3 years since 1995 when polyps were discovered and removed. This year, however, Dr. "Z," my doctor for the last two procedures which were performed at Mountain View Hospital, refused to do another until 5 years had elapsed. I called his office several times, but he continued to deny my wishes, so I talked with my internist, who agreed that I needed a colonoscopy. Unfortunately, her referral led me to the Endoscopy Center of Southern Nevada on Shadow Lane. Since most doctors seem to agree that those of us with a family history of colon cancer should have a colonoscopy every 3 years, I fail to comprehend why Dr. "Z" refused my request.

Doctors who listen and respond to their patients in a positive manner would resolve some of our medical problems! At least this would be true in my case. I now must await the result of my blood test!

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