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## Cecostomy for treatment of fecal incontinence in adults

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### Authors' conclusions

Fecal incontinence is the inability to control the release of fecal matter. Fecal incontinence can cause significant embarrassment and social stigma, leading to a loss of self-esteem, social isolation, and reduced quality of life (QOL). The overall prevalence of fecal incontinence ranges from 1% to 7% in otherwise healthy individuals. The prevalence of fecal incontinence is disproportionately higher in women, in the elderly, and in nursing home residents. Up to 25% of hospitalized patients and nursing home residents experience fecal incontinence. There are many causes of fecal incontinence including anal sphincter trauma, local rectal pathology, neurological disorders, congenital anomalies, psychological chronic soiling, and normal aging. Fecal incontinence is managed by conservative means such as dietary modification, laxatives, suppositories, rectal irrigation (enemas), manual disimpaction, and biofeedback. A surgical approach may also be indicated for fecal incontinence secondary to chronic refractory obstructed defecation or colonic pseudo-obstruction.

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