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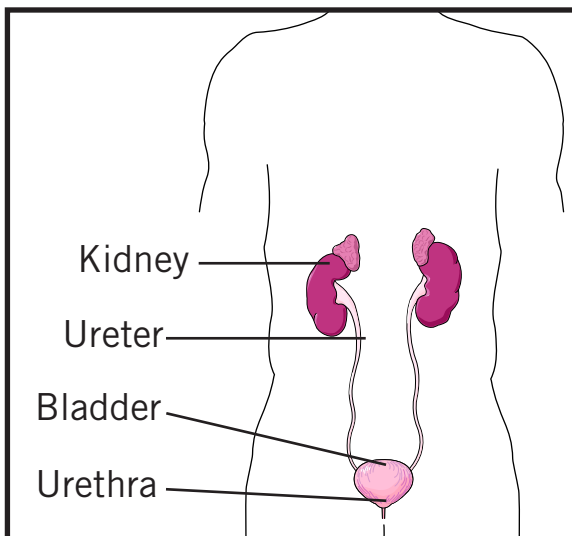
What is a cystoscopy?

During a cystoscopy, a ureteral stent may be placed in a ureter. The ureters are the tubes that drain urine (pee) from the kidneys into the bladder. The stent is usually used to relieve (get rid of) a blockage or obstruction.

A cystoscope is a slender telescope with a lens and light. The scope is passed through the urethra into the bladder. The urethra is where urine exits your body.

Your urologist will be able to examine the inside of your bladder and the urethra. The cystoscope may be used to temporarily relieve urinary symptoms by slightly stretching the urethra.

Your doctor will talk about the results of your examination with you either immediately after the procedure, by phone, or by appointment.



What can I expect at home?

- You may see a small amount of blood in your urine. There may be slight burning when you urinate. Both should go away within a day.
- Drink extra fluids to help decrease any burning and bleeding.
- Your urologist may give you pills to help protect you against infection. Take them as you were told until they are all gone.

Call your doctor if you have:

- Unusual difficulty urinating.
- If there is still burning when you urinate more than 24 hours (1 day) after the procedure.
- Bleeding for more than 48 hours (2 days).
- A fever within the first few days.

If you need to see a doctor, please contact your family doctor or go to the nearest Emergency Department unless otherwise instructed by your Urologist.

If you have any questions, please ask.
We are here to help you.

