

# Re: about having cystoscopy

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Jane Cohen wrote:

Howard McCollister wrote:

"Jane Cohen" <jcohen@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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Howard McCollister wrote:

Jane Cohen wrote:

Howard did  
say it's  
clearly  
smaller than  
a cath and  
the office  
does use the  
xylocaine  
jelly. I hope  
your  
assessment  
is correct  
that the  
procedure is  
less  
traumatic in  
fact than it  
sounds!

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Well, to be clear, MOST flexible cystoscopes are smaller than MOST urinary catheters. Now, I was a little surprised to hear that your urologist uses a rigid cystoscope. I don't know what the diameter of that might be, there are several different arrangements.

HMc

Uh oh ... there goes that anxiety level ...

No, I think this will be ok. Thanks again for your help, Howard.

Jane

Yeah, sorry about that. However, it's unlikely that your urologist would want you to be in pain, and if he didn't have a system for office cystoscopy that his patients were OK with, he'd change the system. HMc

Or, he's one of those older docs that still do things the old ways ...  
LOL

Jane...I didn't want to tell you about the rigid scope I had in 1995 from one of the old time docs you mentioned [they do like to stay with their original equipment :-)]. I have had flexible scopes since, and they are not quite as bad (but remember I am a male, and the rigid will definitely hurt a male more).

It sounds like you have one of the older uro's. I don't understand why he hasn't switched to a flex scope. It would certainly let him get a better look at the bladder also. I still think you will be all right and do just fine. Try not to worry so much :-)) ...Pete

He did say that if his patients were all screaming and yelling in

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great pain, he would have an empty waiting room. I guess that's true.

Jane