



Over the last 20 years, we have striven for one thing above quality service and care.. **TRUST...** Our patients usually leave our offices with a secure feeling, confident that their problems will be addressed in an honest and cost efficient attempt at successful resolution. They realize that Dr. Aquino approaches the patient's symptoms and signs as a good detective methodically analyzes a crime scene, looking for a reason behind every one, and grouping them into a unifying diagnosis when possible.



**Dr. Aquino is the only board certified Colon/Rectal surgeon in the entire Galveston Bay area, East of the Gulf Freeway.** The practice has a catchment area extending well into East Texas / Beaumont, TX and SouthWest Louisiana / Lake Charles, LA.



**Marcus Michael Aquino,**  
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ColonRectal Surgeon

Born and raised in Bangalore, South India, Marcus completed his basic surgical training in the United Kingdom before immigrating to the United States of America, where he underwent a 5 year General Surgery residency training in New York City. Following this, he completed a ColonRectal Surgery fellowship training program in Baltimore, Maryland and has subsequently established his practice in Houston since 1988.

Dr. Aquino is certified by the American Boards of both (General) Surgery and ColonRectal Surgery. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the Royal College of Surgeons (Glasgow, UK) and the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons.

Most of his surgery is done in an outpatient setting as this has been shown to be both cost effective and well accepted by patients. Whenever possible, special long acting local anesthetic techniques are used to maximize patient comfort.

Dr. Aquino has performed well over 15,000 ColonRectal surgeries over the last 30 years.

He places great emphasis on a personable relationship with his patients, often employing a tactful combination of humor and empathy.

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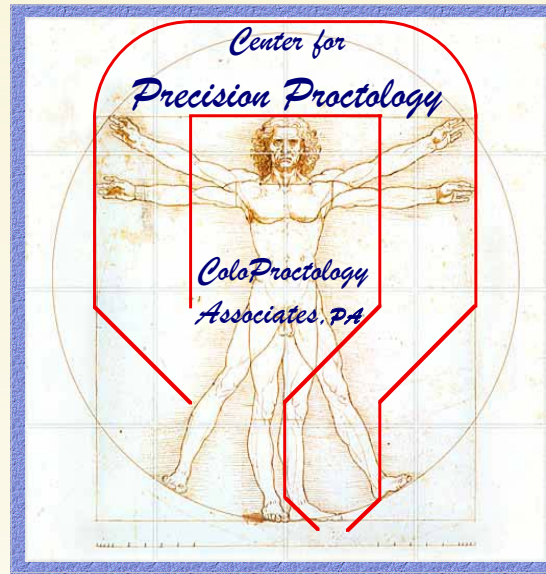
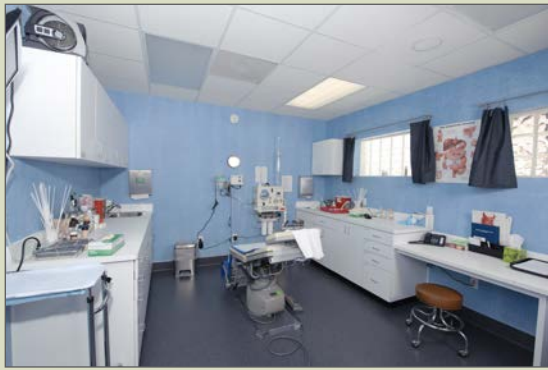
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A new office/operating suite has been built in scenic Seabrook, TX. We have used a mediterranean architectural style that gives the office a distinctive, yet inviting and comfortable atmosphere. Feng Shui techniques have been used to enhance subconscious relaxation in our patients from the moment they enter the office.

Colonoscopy, hernia repair and proctologic surgery (hemorrhoidectomy/fissure/fistula repair etc.) is performed at this office. Special anesthetic techniques that involve a hybrid of general anesthesia, deep sedation and long acting local anesthetic nerve blocks are used during the surgical procedures. As a result, we are uniquely capable of offering high quality, affordable surgery to cash paying patients and those with high deductibles.

Medical grade colonic irrigation equipment allows us to provide our patients with safe, comfortable and efficient colonic irrigation to prepare for colonoscopy, thus avoiding the dreaded bowel prep.

**Our private surgical center complies with AAA HC, a national accrediting body, which regulates and mandates the highest patient safety along with operating room compliance and standards.**

**We treat patients with disorders of the anus, rectum, colon and small bowel including:**

Anorectal problems including Abscess, Fistulae, Fissures, Hemorrhoids (Piles) and Warts (Condyloma).

Repair of complex problems/complications resulting from earlier ano/rectal surgery.

Colon/Rectal Cancer screening using Colonoscopy, Fecal Occult Blood Test (checking for hidden blood in the stool) and advanced radiological imaging.

Large Bowel (Colon/Rectal) Cancer surgery, including both advanced tumors and pre-malignant lesions such as polyps.

Female perineal conditions such as Bowel Incontinence, Rectal Prolapse and Rectocele.

Non-malignant disorders such as Irritable Bowel Syndrome, Diverticular Disease, Diarrhea and Constipation.

Complex nutritional problems including Intestinal Fistula resulting in feces coming out from the vagina, bladder and abdominal wall.

Inflammatory bowel disease such as Ulcerative Colitis and Crohn's Disease.

Colostomy and Ileostomy creation, care and support of related problems including laparoscopic repair of colostomy and ileostomy hernias.

Body wall hernias including groin, umbilical and those caused by a weak incision.

Pilonidal cysts and sinuses.

Colonics/Colon Hydrotherapy (as a colonoscopy prep and for constipation predominant IBS).