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# 50S flare-up!

#### Inflammatory bowel disease doesn't give any warnings. Be prepared



# Know your own body

It is a very individual disease and what works for one person, does not for others.



# Think positively

Positive thinking is vital for tackling the disease as if it were a challenge rather than a problem, for self-belief and for being aware of and accepting your limits.



# Adhere to the treatment

It is important to follow it, so that it is effective at helping control the disease and improving your quality of life.

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#### Eat little and digest well

Eat small rations spread out over 5 or 6 meals per day to help improve digestion.



#### Get energy without coffee

Coffee and carbonated beverages stimulate bowel transit and can increase the number of stools.

#### Did you know that...



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- The condition affects women and men equally and who are generally between 20 and 30 years old.
- There is no cure for the disease, but there are treatments that improve your quality of life.
  - The disease's symptoms appear suddenly, in the form of a flare-up. You can follow a normal lifestyle for most of the time.





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# Take on an active role

Communicate with the healthcare team so you may make decisions collectively.



# People you can trust

Develop a network of people who support you to reduce the stress and prevent anxiety disorders and depression.



#### **Routine physical exercis**

Run, ride a bike, swim, walk, etc. 10 minutes a day is better than 1 hour a week.



#### **Keep hydrated**

It is better to drink between meals rather than with them in order to activate bowel transit.



#### **Quit smoking**

Tobacco increases the risk of compilations in Crohn's disease.