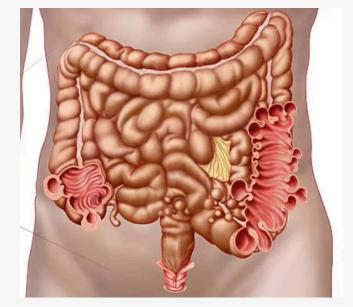
## **DIVERTICULITIS**



## **MORTALITY RATES:**

Low overall, twice as high in complicated cases; women account for 68% deaths

### **PREVALENCE:**

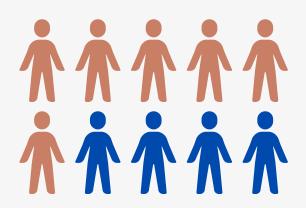
~4% of patients with diverticulosis develop diverticulitis

#### **INCIDENCE:**

115–188 per 100,000/year, rising among younger adults

## **RECURRENCE (5 yrs):**

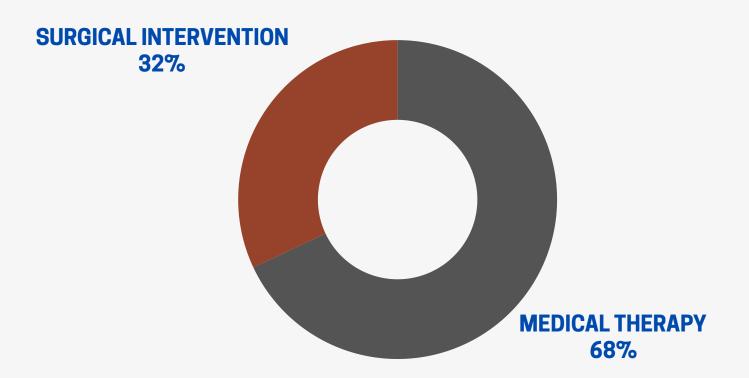
17% after 1st episode, 44% after 2nd, 80% after 3+ episodes



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Patients with clinical diverticulitis are women

# COMMON TREATMENTS FOR DIVERTICULITIS



## **MEDICAL THERAPY:**

- Antibiotics to treat infection
- Pain relief
- Dietary management
- Hydration
- Rest

## **SURGICAL INTERVENTION:**

- Emergency surgery for patients with complications
- After medical therapy 15% to 30% of patients need elective colon resection for recurrent disease

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