

SCREENING PROCESSES

Difference between diagnostic test and screening

Diagnostic tests are usually done to find out what is causing certain symptoms, while screening is usually done even if we don't have any symptoms.



It is never too early

Even newborns, especially premature babies, are getting screening tests.



Screening is not a preventive measure

Regular screening will not prevent you from disease, it will just help to find out if you are already sick even if you don't have any symptoms yet, or will help to find out if you are in a risk group.



Once a year is enough

Screening shouldn't be done too often, as some of test may be hurtful while done too often, like x-ray examinations that may expose the body to radiation.

