Case # 2

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Children's Hospital Colorado



- 19 yo female patient with history of life-long constipation.
- Presented to the emergency room 6 months prior, complaining of fever and respiratory distress.
- Diagnosed with bilateral empyema, meningitis, sepsis, and the presence of an abscess in the sacral area.



- Admitted to the Intensive Care Unit, received antibiotics.
- Colostomy was opened and the sacral abscess was drained.
- After a stormy course, the patient recovered and was sent home with a colostomy.



- Patient was referred to us for consultation by a group of plastic surgeons.
- The wound in the sacral area was still open and draining and they were ready to close the opening with a vascularized flap.



 They specifically asked if I wanted to close the colostomy at the same time or in a separate procedure.

Would you recommend closing the stoma during the same procedure?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. I don't know



With this history which studies would you like to order?

- 1. Sacral X-ray
- 2. Distal colostogram
- 3. MRI of the pelvis
- 4. MRI of the spine
- 5. Options 1, 3, and 4











What is the diagnosis?

- Chronically infected Pilonidal cyst
- 2. Sacrococcygeal teratoma
- 3. Presacral mass
- 4. I don't know















