

Could it be cancer?

Blood in your pee could be a sign of bladder cancer or kidney cancer, which is why it's so important to see your doctor straight away. Chances are it's nothing serious, but you're not wasting anyone's time by getting it checked out. Call your GP today. Early detection makes it easier to treat. Seeing your doctor could save your life.

Are there other symptoms of bladder or kidney cancer?

Blood in your pee is a key symptom for both types of cancer, but other symptoms include:

Bladder cancer:

- cystitis (a urinary tract infection) that is difficult to treat or comes back quickly after treatment
- pain while peeing

Kidney cancer:

- a pain that doesn't go away, either in the tummy or in the side below the ribs
- weight loss

If you have any of these symptoms, see your GP as soon as possible. If you know anyone who has any of these symptoms, insist they see their doctor.

What else could it be?

Some symptoms may be caused by an infection or bladder or kidney stones, all of which may need treatment. But don't try and diagnose yourself. Go and see your doctor now to find out for sure.

Also, if you've been to the doctor but your symptoms haven't gone away, he or she will want to know. It's important to see your doctor again if your symptoms persist.