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Abdominal collections are subdivided into intraperitoneal and retroperitoneal collections. Retroperitoneal collections are further subdivided into those limited to the retroperitoneal space (e.g. in pancreatitis) and collections arising in relation to retroperitoneal organs such the kidney . The latter are collections of the retroperitoneum. Collections of the retroperitoneal space and retroperitoneum are considered in the final section of the chapter.

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