

LUNG CANCER CAUSES MORE DEATHS
IN THE UNITED STATES THAN ANY OTHER
TYPE OF CANCER. OFTEN, EARLY LUNG
CANCER DOES NOT CAUSE SYMPTOMS
AND CAN GO UNDIAGNOSED.

Recent federal guidelines recommend people at a higher risk of developing lung cancer receive an annual screening. These guidelines are based on results from a large study conducted by the National Cancer Institute. This trial showed a dramatic reduction (20%) in deaths among patients who were screened annually with low-dose CT scans.



Having a screening may help detect the cancer at an earlier stage, when it is easier to treat. It could save your life! Fortunately, CT lung screening is a simple, quick and non-invasive test and is covered by most insurance plans.

Who is eligible for Low Dose CT lung screening?

Lung cancer screening is now covered by several major insurance companies and Medicare once per year for patients who meet all of the following criteria.

- Individuals between the ages of 55 and 77 years old
- Current smokers or smokers who have quit within the past 15 years
- Smoked at least a pack of cigarettes a day for 30+ years
- Asymptomatic (without signs or symptoms of lung cancer)

If you qualify for the screening, see your physician for an evaluation.

Screening is not a substitute for smoking cessation and quitting remains the most effective way to reduce death related to lung cancer. In addition to discussing a screening CT, you should take this opportunity to talk about smoking cessation with your healthcare provider.

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