

# Lung Cancer Screening



## Questions & Answers

**Q: Am I a candidate for lung cancer screening?**

**A: If you:**

- Are a **current** or **former smoker**
- Are in the age group from **50 to 77 years**
- Have a smoking history of at least **20 pack-years**  
(This means 1 pack a day for 20 years)
- **Quit smoking** less than 15 years ago and smoked one or more packs a day for 15 or more years
- Are **NOT** having any chest symptoms/lung cancer symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, chest pain)

**Q: What does the test include?**

**A:** Lung screening includes a chest CT scan which is a rapid, non-invasive test that uses a low dose of radiation to provide 3-dimensional images of the lungs in a matter of seconds.

**Q: What does it cost to have a CT scan for lung cancer? Will my insurance pay for it?**

**A:** The cost is \$550.00. Medicare and most health insurance companies will cover the cost for a CT scan to screen for lung cancer every year if you meet the above requirements.

**Talk to your provider today to see if Lung Cancer Screening is right for you. CT Scanning is available in the GMHC Imaging Department with a referral from your provider.**

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**Take our quiz to see if you are a candidate for a lung screening**

1. Are you between the ages of **50-77?**
2. Do you have at least a **20 pack-a-year** history?
3. If you no longer smoke, did you **quit** within the last 15 years?
4. Have you talked to your provider about **quitting** smoking?

**If you answered YES to these questions you are a candidate for a lung screening.**