

To comply with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; the elements of the shared decision making visit in the checklist below must be completed to determine patient's eligibility and will need to be documented in the patient's medical record.

Lung Cancer Screening: Shared Decision Making Checklist

Verify patient eligibility for screening:

- Patient is between 55 and 77 years old. Yes No
- Patient is a current or former smoker. Yes No
- Patient has a smoking history of at least 30 pack-years (packs per day X total years smoked = pack-years). Yes No

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(20 cigarettes = 1 pack)

- ✓ **Review of patient symptoms:**
 - No signs or symptoms of lung cancer
- ✓ **Potential benefits of lung cancer screening discussed:**
 - Early detection of lung cancer
 - Early treatment
 - Reduced mortality from lung cancer
- ✓ **Potential risks of lung cancer screening discussed:**
 - Follow up diagnostic testing may be needed if abnormality is found, this may include invasive testing.
 - False positive results
 - Incidental findings
 - Radiation exposure is cumulative
- ✓ **Other considerations to be discussed:**
 - The impact of comorbidities on screening. (Review of patient's overall medical history to determine benefit)
 - The patient's willingness to undergo invasive diagnostic procedure or treatment for lung cancer if found
- ✓ **Patient counseled regarding:**
 - The importance of adhering to annual lung cancer screening once eligible
 - The importance of maintaining cigarette smoking abstinence or smoking cessation, as applicable

If it is determined that the patient is a good candidate for lung cancer screening:

- ✓ **A written order must be completed to include:**
 - Patient's date of birth
 - Patient's calculated pack-year smoking history
 - Current smoking status; for former smokers- the number of years since quitting
 - Statement that the patient is asymptomatic
 - The ordering provider's NPI number

To refer a patient for Lung CT, call 404-686-LUNG (5864).

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Lung Cancer Screening Requirements

Emory Healthcare's low-radiation-dose lung screening is available for patients with a significant smoking history. We recommend this lung screening for patients meeting **ALL** of the following lung screening requirements:

- Patient is between 55 and 77 years old.
- Patient is a current or former smoker.
- Patient has a smoking history of at least 30 pack-years (packs per day X total years smoked = pack-years).
- Patient has **NOT** had a lung infection (pneumonia or bronchitis) within the past 12 weeks.
- Patient has **NOT** had a CT scan of chest within the past 12 months.
- Patient has **NOT** had chemotherapy within the last 6 months.
- Patient has **NOT** had a known pulmonary nodule (or other lung lesion) that's being followed by CT scan.