

FAQs

What is CT screening?

Computerized tomography (CT) screening uses special X-ray technology to obtain image data from different angles around the body and then uses computer processing of the information to show a cross section of body tissues and organs.

What is the goal of LDCT lung screening?

The goal of LDCT lung screening is to save lives. Without LDCT lung screening, lung cancer isn't usually found until a person develops symptoms. At that time, the cancer is much harder to treat.

How effective is LDCT lung screening at preventing death from lung cancer?

Studies have shown that LDCT lung screening can lower the risk of death from lung cancer by 20 percent in people who are at high risk.

How is the exam performed?

LDCT lung screening is one of the easiest screening exams you can have. No medications or contrast dye are given, and no needles are used. You can eat before and after the exam. You do not even need to get changed as long as the clothing on your chest does not contain metal. You must, however, be able to hold your breath for at least six seconds while the chest scan is being taken.

Low Dose CT (LDCT) Lung Cancer Screening Requisition Form

Physicians, please complete the information below:

Date: _____

Patient Name: _____

DOB: _____

Pt. Height: _____ Pt. Weight: _____

Phone: _____

Service to be provided:

Low Dose CT Lung Cancer Screening

Please indicate applicable *ICD-10 Code* (required)

F17.211 Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, in remission.

F17.210 Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, uncomplicated.

Z87.891 Personal history of nicotine dependence.

Patients must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for LDCT Lung Cancer Screening:

Current smoker OR Former smoker
of years since quitting smoking
(must be 15 years or less)

History of at least 30 pack years
(#packs/day X # years smoking =
_____ actual pack years)

Age 55-77 years

Asymptomatic (no signs or symptoms of lung cancer)

Risks and benefits of LDCT education provided to patient

Tobacco risk and smoking cessation materials and counseling provided

Physician Name (Please Print)

Physician Signature

Physician Phone/Fax

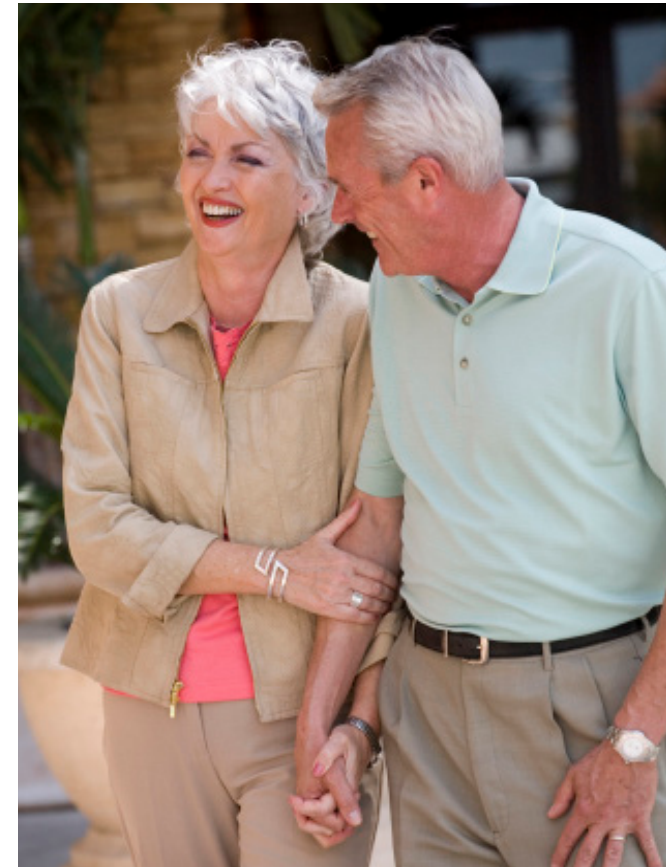
Please fax this requisition to **(707) 257-4137** upon completion.

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Lung Cancer Screening



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Early detection saves lives!



About the Program

- Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths for both men and women worldwide.
- Nearly 160,000 Americans die of lung cancer each year.

Of the top four deadliest cancers in the United States, (lung, prostate, breast and colorectal), lung cancer is the only one not subject to routine screening. Based on the findings of the National Lung Screening Trial (NLST), we know that CT lung screening can save lives of people at high risk for developing lung cancer.

Low-dose CT (LDCT) lung screening is quick and easy and results in a minimal amount of radiation exposure. Queen of the Valley Medical Center offers LDCT lung cancer screening to individuals who meet established high-risk criteria.

Qualification Criteria

To qualify for a LDCT lung screening at Queen of the Valley Medical Center, you must:

- Be between 55 and 77 years old,
- Are currently a smoker or have quit within the past 15 years, and
- Have smoked at least a pack of cigarettes a day for 30+ years.
- Be asymptomatic (no signs or symptoms of lung cancer)

Scheduling a Screening

To schedule your LDCT lung screening, speak to your Primary Care Physician (PCP) and ask them to complete and fax the form on the back of this brochure to Queen of the Valley Medical Center.

If you do not have a PCP or are unable to get a referral, we can help. Please call **(707) 251-3555**.

Smoking Cessation

If you've tried to quit smoking in the past, keep trying — each attempt will help you reach your goal. Millions of people have quit smoking. You can too!

Smoking Cessation Resources

American Lung Association
(800) LUNG-USA

California Smokers' Helpline
(800) NO-BUTTS
www.nobutts.org

Community Action of Napa Valley (CANV) also offers Quit Smoking classes. Please call **(707) 253-6100 ext. 132**