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Low-Dose CT Lung Cancer Screening

Patient Name: ______ Date: ____/___/____

Date of Birth: / /

Packs/day (20 cigarettes/pack): _____ x Years smoked: _____ = Pack years*: _____ *Pack-years is the # of cigarettes smoked per day multiplied by the # of years smoked, divided by 20.

Currently Smoking: Yes No If not smoking, how many years since guitting?

Any signs or symptoms of lung cancer: Yes No

Referring Phys	ician:			NPI#:			
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Phone:	-	-	Fax:	-	-		

By signing this order, you are certifying that:

- The patient has participated in a shared decision making session during which potential risks and benefits of CT lung screening were discussed.
- The patient was informed of the importance of adherence to annual screening, impact of comorbidities, and ability/willingness to undergo diagnosis and treatment.
- The patient was informed of the importance of smoking cessation and/or maintaining smoking abstinence, including the offer of Medicare-covered tobacco cessation counseling services, if applicable.
- The patient is asymptomatic (no symptoms such as fever, chest pain, new shortness of breath, new or changing cough, coughing up blood, or unexplained significant weight loss).

Signature authorizes the order of a CT Lung Cancer Screening Exam to include CAD evaluation.

Physician Signature:



Scheduling: 212-362-5349



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What are the benefits and risks of lung cancer screening?

Benefits

- Because CT scans are able to detect even very small nodules in the lung, Low-Dose CT (LDCT) of the chest is especially effective for diagnosing lung cancer at its earliest, most treatable stage.
- CT is fast, which is important for patients who have trouble holding their breath.
- CT scanning is painless and noninvasive.
- X-rays used in LDCT of the chest scans have no immediate side effects.
- Low-dose CT scans of the chest produce images of sufficient image quality to detect many lung diseases and abnormalities using up to 90 percent less ionizing radiation than a conventional chest CT scan.
- Lung cancer screening with LDCT has been proven to reduce the number of deaths from lung cancer in patients at high risk.
- Lung cancer found by screening with LDCT is often at an earlier stage of disease.
- When cancer is found with screening, patients can more often undergo minimally invasive surgery and have less lung tissue removed.

Risks

- False positive results occur when a test appears to be abnormal but no lung cancer is found. Abnormal findings may require more testing, such as additional CT scans or PET/CT, to determine whether or not cancer is present. A more invasive test in which a sample of lung tissue is removed (biopsy) may also be warranted in certain circumstances.
- Test results that appear to be normal even when lung cancer is present are called false-negative results. A person who receives a false-negative test result may delay seeking medical care.
- Not all of the cancers detected by LDCT will be found in the early stage of the disease. Screening that detects lung cancer may not improve your health or help you live longer if the disease has already spread beyond the lungs to other places in the body.
- LDCT lung screening and all other screening exams can lead to the detection and treatment of cancer which may never have harmed you. This can result in unnecessary treatment, complications, and cost.
- Health insurance companies may not cover the cost of a LDCT scan to screen for lung cancer.

Source: www.radiologyinfo.org

The U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved CT lung cancer screening for patients meeting the following criteria:

- 55 to 77 years of age and
- no signs or symptoms of lung cancer, and
- have a tobacco smoking history of at least 30 pack-years (pack-years is the # of cigarettes smoked per day multiplied by the # of years smoked, divided by 20), and
- currently smoke or have quit smoking within the past 15 years