

Lung Cancer Screening Checklist

Patient Qualifies for Screening with Low-Dose CT (*must meet all*):

- Age 55-80 (Medicare covers 55-77)
- Currently smokes or former smoker who quit within last 15 years
- 30 pack-year smoking history (pack years = avg # packs smoked per day X # years smoked) = ____ # pack-year smoker
- Asymptomatic for lung cancer/no personal history of lung cancer
- Otherwise healthy enough and willing to have lung cancer treatment

Codes:

- Medicare – **G0296** – Counseling/shared decision making visit to discuss lung cancer screening LDCT option
- Medicare – **G0297** – LDCT for lung cancer screening
- Private Insurance – **S8032** – LDCT for lung cancer screening

Shared Decision Making Checklist:

- Must include the use of one or more decision aids (*see “Get Screened for Lung Cancer?” in toolkit*), with:
 - Potential benefits of screening (reduced mortality),
 - Potential harms of screening (false alarms/false positive tests, follow-up diagnostic testing, overdiagnosis, radiation exposure);
 - Unknowns of screening (when to stop, impact of long-term screening)
- Counseling on the importance of adherence to annual LDCT lung cancer screening, impact of comorbidities and ability or willingness to undergo diagnosis and treatment; and
- Written order for lung cancer screening with LDCT, if appropriate (*see sample in toolkit*)
- Document all elements of counseling and shared decision making in medical record

Tobacco Cessation Counseling:

Incorporated into shared decision making visit:

- If **former** smoker: Importance of maintaining smoking abstinence
- If **current** smoker: Importance of smoking cessation, (*see “First-Line Medications” in toolkit*)
- If **current** smoker: Furnish information about tobacco cessation interventions (if appropriate) (*see Tobacco Resources handout, QuitLine Rx pad or Pathfinder card in toolkit*)

Screening Facility:

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