



CT LOW DOSE LUNG SCREENING

In cooperation with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the American College of Radiology (ACR), Christie Clinic and its Department of Radiology is offering to our providers, patients, and the community, CT Low Dose Lung Screening.

To participate in this research and gain Medicare reimbursement, Christie Clinic has committed to following strict screening and reporting guidelines:

- Age 55 – 77 years;
- Asymptomatic (no signs or symptoms of lung cancer);
- Tobacco smoking history of at least 30 pack-years
(one pack-year = smoking one pack per day for one year; 1 pack = 20 cigarettes);
- Current smoker or one who has quit smoking within the last 15 years; and
- Receives a written order for LDCT lung cancer screening that meets the following criteria:
For the initial LDCT lung cancer screening service: a beneficiary must receive a written order for LDCT lung cancer screening during a lung cancer screening counseling and shared decision making visit furnished by their provider

Please refer to the LDCT lung screening request and shared decision form for more information on what constitutes 30 pack years. Non Medicare patients may also have this exam. Most commercial carriers will pay for this service if the patient has a smoking history. Patients who don't meet the qualifications may still have this exam done for \$300.

**All patients having the CT Low Dose Lung Screening examination performed should understand that defined information (data only) will be submitted to the ACR's national registry data base for study purposes.*

For more information and copies of the required documents above, please contact the Department of Radiology: 366.1285.



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