

Fact Sheet

Munson Healthcare offers low-dose CT scans at the following locations:

SCHEDULING Phone: **800-968-9292**, Fax: **231-935-3473**

- Munson Medical Center
- Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital
- Kalkaska Memorial Health Center
- Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital
- Munson Healthcare Grayling Hospital
- Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital
Fax: **231-547-8094**
- Munson Healthcare Otsego Memorial Hospital
Fax: **989-731-7753**

Why be screened?

Lung cancer is the second most common cancer in both men and women. It causes more deaths than any other kind of cancer. Until now, there was no good way to detect early lung cancers. With the use of low-dose CT screening, we may detect lung cancers earlier, increasing the chance of cure. CT lung screening in high risk patients has shown to decrease cancer death by 20 percent, according to the National Lung Screening Trial in 2011.

Who should be screened?

Lung cancer screening with low-dose CT is recommended for people who meet the following criteria:

- Between the ages of 55 and 77 years old
- Current or former smoker (former smokers who have quit within the last 15 years)
- Smoking history of at least 30 pack years*

*Pack years = Maximum number of packs smoked per day multiplied by the total number of years smoked.

What else should I know about screening?

Lung cancer screening is a process, not a single test. To realize the greatest benefit of screening and reduce your chances of dying from lung cancer, you must adhere to your health care provider's directions regarding screening and smoking cessation.

No test is 100 percent accurate, so it is important to understand the limits of this screening study. It is possible to get false readings that either do not detect an underlying medical condition such as lung cancer, or reveal findings that are suspicious of lung cancer, even if you don't have it. In such cases, you may be asked to undergo additional tests or a biopsy to verify the results. The screening chest CT also may reveal findings not related to your lungs that may require additional diagnostic tests.

What will it cost?

At this time, most private insurers cover lung cancer screening in high risk individuals. Effective January 2016, Medicare is providing this same coverage.

Medicare requires a dedicated lung cancer screening counseling and shared decision-making visit from a physician or nurse practitioner. This visit is available through Munson Medical Center's Multidisciplinary Thoracic Oncology Clinic in Traverse City. The lung cancer screening nurse practitioner will work with the referring provider and pulmonologist to facilitate education and shared decision making, testing, and follow-up.

For more information on low-dose lung CT and Lung Cancer Screening at Munson Medical Center, please call the Multidisciplinary Thoracic Oncology Clinic at **231-392-8537**.

REFERRAL to Munson Healthcare's Lung Cancer Screening Program

Please send a copy of the patient's:

- Insurance card(s)
- Driver's license
- Report of History and Physical
- Other outside records

Today's Date

Patient Name

MR#

DOB

Age

Patient Address

City

State

Zip

Patient Home/Cell Phone Numbers

Diagnosis/ICD9 Code

ICD 10 Code

Referring Physician Name/Phone Number

Does this patient have established care with a pulmonologist? (circle one)

Yes

No

If yes, name:

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Please fax this referral form and accompanying documents to: **231-392-8405**.