

Cowell Family Cancer Center

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 Phone: 231-547-8801, Fax: 231-935-7878
- Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital Phone: 231-398-1114, Fax: 231-398-1408
- Munson Healthcare Otsego MemorialHospital Fax: **989-731-2152**, 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 50 and 77 years old (**NOTE:** Age 78-80 may be eligible with commercial insurance coverage)
- Current or former smoker (former smokers who have quit within the last 15 years)
- Smoking history of at least 20 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**.

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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	V		
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 wi	ith 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.

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