

Guidelines for Ordering CT Lung Cancer Screening and Follow-Up Exams

Qualified patients must satisfy all of the criteria listed below. The information must be documented on your referral or a RIMI representative will have to contact you for a new order.

- Asymptomatic patient (no signs or symptoms of lung cancer).
- Patient is between 55-77 years old (80 with some insurances).
- Pack year smoking history must equal or exceed 30 pack years. You must include the actual calculations on the referral and "greater than 30 years" is not sufficient.
Packs/Day: _____ x Years Smoked: _____ = Pack Years
- Patient is a current smoker (or has quit within the last 15 years). If not currently smoking, you must include how many years since they quit.
- Provider NPI must be included on your order.



**For initial exam or
1+ year follow-up**

Low Dose CT Chest WO
Contrast for Lung Cancer
Screening = **CPT 71271**

**Recommended interval
follow-up exam
less than 1 year
(1, 3, 6, 9 months, etc.)**

Low Dose CT Chest WO
Contrast for Follow-Up to Lung
Cancer Screening = **CPT 71250**

**Recommended 1 year
follow-up? Continue
with annual screening**

Low Dose CT Chest WO
Contrast for Lung Cancer
Screening = **CPT 71271**

