

TEMPLE HEALTHY CHEST INITIATIVE

A NEW APPROACH TO LUNG CANCER SCREENING



Physicians at Temple Health have developed the Temple Healthy Chest Initiative to screen, diagnose, treat, and support patients who are at the greatest risk of developing lung cancer due to a history of smoking. The program joins two world-class health centers in Philadelphia—Fox Chase Cancer Center and the Temple Lung Center—to identify malignant nodules before symptoms emerge and give patients the greatest chance at the best outcome.





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The Temple Healthy Chest Initiative is a comprehensive program that expands the lung center's services to capture all patients now eligible for screening under the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force's latest lung cancer screening guidelines in one easy, convenient, and personalized package. This initiative represents the latest in our history of providing the next right program, procedure, or clinical trial to best serve our shared patients in Philadelphia and its surrounding communities.

LUNG CANCER AND BEYOND: TREATING THE WHOLE CHEST

The Healthy Chest Initiative provides patients at high risk for lung cancer and other diseases of the chest with access to regular low-dose CT screenings and all resulting care. As part of this initiative, our physicians screen, follow up, and track participants year over year. When necessary, patients are connected with specialists throughout the Temple University Health System for treatment.

Other advantages of the Healthy Chest Initiative include:

- Access to a dedicated nurse navigator who explains results to patients and walks them through next steps.
- More time during patient appointments to discuss concerns other than lung and chest health.
- The world-class clinicians and researchers at the Temple Lung Center and Fox Chase Cancer Center at work for your patients.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Individuals who meet the following criteria, as outlined by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, may be referred for a low-dose CT screening:

- Adults between 50 and 80 years
- With at least a one-pack-per-day smoking habit over 20 years
- Patients who currently smoke or who have quit within the past 15 years

ADVANCED TREATMENT OPTIONS

When scans detect potential malignancies, Temple's multidisciplinary team can track the staging of nodules suspicious for lung cancer. Similarly, physicians look for signs of lung and heart conditions, osteoporosis, sleep apnea, diabetes, issues of the esophagus and digestive system, other cancers, and more.

Our vast network of subspecialists allows us to seamlessly connect these patients to the appropriate experts throughout the Temple Health. Finally, the Temple Healthy Chest Initiative provides access to a virtual and in-person smoking cessation program, available to all Temple patients regardless of their location of care.

HOW TO REFER

Patients who meet the screening criteria must be provided with a prescription by their referring physician for a low-dose CT scan. If necessary, a prescription can be furnished by a Temple pulmonologist via a telehealth appointment.

Patients should call 800-TEMPLE-MED to schedule a low-dose CT at one of Temple's convenient locations.

OUR COMMITMENT TO PHYSICIANS

At Temple Health, we believe that communication with physicians is an essential part of quality care in diagnosing and managing advanced lung disease. We strive to stay in close communication throughout diagnosis and treatment until your patient is returned to your care.

RESOURCES FOR YOUR PATIENTS



To support shared decision-making discussions with your patients, we have provided a variety of resources in several languages including educational videos and downloadable materials about lung cancer screening, preventive chest health, and smoking cessation if you would like to share them with your patients.

KEY ACCOUNT MANAGER SERVICE

Our Key Account Manager is always available to provide information about clinical or research programs, help you quickly resolve any issues, and coordinate contact with Temple Health physicians and staff.



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OUR LOCATIONS



FOX CHASE CANCER CENTER – MAIN CAMPUS

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Philadelphia, PA 19111
888-369-2427



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL – MAIN CAMPUS

3401 N. Broad Street
Ambulatory Care Center, 5th Floor, Zone D
Philadelphia, PA 19140
800-TEMPLE-MED



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL – JEANES CAMPUS

7600 Central Avenue
Patient Care Center
Philadelphia, PA 19111
215-728-CARE



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL – NORTHEASTERN CAMPUS

2301 E. Allegheny Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19134
215-926-3000



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL – EPISCOPAL CAMPUS

100 E. Lehigh Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19125
215-707-1200

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