

## WHY CT LUNG SCREENING IS VITAL

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the US and often shows no early symptoms, making regular screenings crucial for those at risk. **Early detection significantly improves survival rates** - over 50% for those diagnosed early compared to less than 4% for late-stage diagnosis.

A low-dose CT scan can detect lung cancer at its earliest, most treatable stage, even identifying small nodules not visible on a standard x-ray.

**Yearly screenings for high-risk individuals are recommended** to help monitor nodules and spot potential changes.

CT Lung Screenings are proven to save lives by detecting cancer early when treatment is most effective. **If you're at high risk and experiencing symptoms, consider calling to schedule your screening today.**

### SYMPTOMS



Consistent cough



Coughing Blood



Unusual Weightloss



Chest Pain

Even without symptoms, regular screenings are key for high-risk individuals.

## SCHEDULE YOUR SCREENING TODAY!



"Even though I could tell they were very busy, they still kept me on schedule. Everyone I spoke with was very nice and personable."



"Very professional. Quick and easy check in process. Staff was sensitive and understanding of my situation and tended to my needs. Treated with utmost respect."



"Great experience! The women at the front desk were so helpful and the radiology tech was nice and professional. Highly recommend - plus way less expensive than the hospital!"

## VISIT US AT ONE OF OUR THREE LOCATIONS!

### COLUMBIA

311 N Keene St. | (573) 442-1788

### JEFFERSON CITY

3218 W Edgewood, Ste. 200 | (573) 635-6262

### OSAGE BEACH

1037 Palisades Blvd., Ste. 7 & 8 | (573) 746-7010

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# LUNG SCREENING

YOUR HEALTH,

OUR PRIORITY

BREATHE EASY -

protect yourself from the leading cause of cancer death!



## CT LUNG SCREENING INFO & PROCESS

CT lung screening is a low-dose, FDA-approved, non-invasive imaging test that uses advanced helical CT technology. It is **more effective than a chest X-ray** at detecting lung tumors, especially at smaller, treatable sizes. **Since most lung cancers are diagnosed late**, leading to a low **5-year survival rate**, this screening is **recommended for high-risk individuals** as a **proactive step** to detect cancer earlier.

The screening is quick, easy, and comfortable—**no dyes, needles, or fasting required**. After filling out a brief medical history, a technologist will guide you into the open machine, which doesn't typically trigger feelings of claustrophobia. Once started, you'll only need to hold your breath briefly while the machine captures detailed images.

### AM I HIGH-RISK?

The **US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)** and the **American Cancer Society (ACS)** find those with the following criteria at high-risk:

- Adults **50 - 80 yrs** of age
- **Current smokers** or those who **quit within the past 15 yrs (USPSTF) OR Previous smokers**, regardless of their quit date (ACS)
- Those who smoked the equivalent of **at least 1 pack per day for 20 yrs**

Pack per Day Calculator: [SmokingPackYears.com](http://SmokingPackYears.com)

Take the eligibility quiz: [SavedByTheScan.org](http://SavedByTheScan.org)

## INSURANCE COVERAGE

### USING INSURANCE

**Medicare and most insurance companies now cover this exam** once per year for eligible "high-risk" patients as part of their preventative care services. Please check with your insurance provider for details about your specific coverage. *An order from your healthcare provider is required.*

### MEDICARE ELIGIBLE

You are eligible if you meet the following criteria:

- Adult **50 - 77 yrs** of age
- Shows **no signs or symptoms** of lung cancer
- **Current smoker** or has **quit within the past 15 yrs**
- Smoked the equivalent of **at least 1 pack per day for 20 yrs**

### NO INSURANCE

Don't worry! **This exam is available through self-pay**. Call or check online to find cost.

