

LUNG CANCER

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death and the second most diagnosed cancer in both men and women in Maryland and the United States.



Low-Dose Computed Tomography (CT Scan) is a screening tool used to find lung cancer. You will lie on a table and an X-ray machine uses a small amount of radiation to create detailed images of your lungs. It only takes a few minutes for this test to be complete.

NO COST eligibility requirements for lung cancer screenings:

- Maryland Resident
- Age 50-80
- Uninsured
- Meet the program income guidelines
- 20 pack-year or greater

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ABOUT US

WHO WE ARE

The Harford County Health Department's Cancer Prevention program helps eligible Maryland residents obtain NO COST colon and lung cancer screenings.

WHAT WE DO

- Offer NO COST colonoscopies, and low-dose lung CT scans
- Cancer prevention, and education in our community

Call or email us today to learn more about cancer screening programs that can help you.

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COLORECTAL CANCER

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in Maryland. However, it doesn't have to be. The best defense is to find and remove the cancer early, when it is most treatable. Colorectal cancer rarely causes symptoms in its early stages which is why the American Cancer Society recommends Colorectal Cancer Screenings for individuals 45-75 years of age.



Colorectal cancer usually starts from polyps (growths) in the colon or rectum. Over time, polyps can turn into cancer. Colonoscopies can find these polyps and remove them before they turn into cancer.

NO COST eligibility requirements for colon cancer screenings:

- Maryland Resident
- Men and Women age 45 and older (younger if "high risk")
- Uninsured or have copays and deductibles
- Meet the program income guidelines

WHAT IS A COLONOSCOPY?

A colonoscopy is the main test used to find and remove colorectal polyps. Beforehand, you will do a bowel prep to cleanse your colon (you will be given instructions for this). Just before the test, you are given a medication to make you sleepy. For the test, a long, flexible tube with a camera is gently put into the rectum and guided through the colon. Images from the camera are viewed on a video screen and any polyps that are found are removed through the scope. These polyps are then sent to a lab for further testing. If a polyp cannot be removed, a tissue sample is taken and the polyp can be removed later during surgery.

The Harford County Health Department's Cancer Prevention Program will cover the cost of this procedure. This includes an initial office visit to speak to a Gastroenterology practitioner; a consult; bowel prep medication coverage; biopsies and related pathology testing; cost of sedation; facility fee and physician procedure fee at NO COST TO YOU.

In addition, you will work closely with a Harford County Health Department Nurse Case Manager to help navigate this experience.