To comply with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; the elements of the shared decision making visit in the checklist below must be completed to determine patient’s eligibility and will need to be documented in the patient’s medical record.

**Lung Cancer Screening: Shared Decision Making Checklist**

Verify patient eligibility for screening:
- Patient is between 55 and 77 years old. [ ] Yes [ ] No
- Patient is a current or former smoker. [ ] Yes [ ] No
- Patient has a smoking history of at least 30 pack-years (packs per day X total years smoked = pack-years).

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(20 cigarettes = 1 pack)

- Review of patient symptoms:
  - No signs or symptoms of lung cancer

- Potential benefits of lung cancer screening discussed:
  - Early detection of lung cancer
  - Early treatment
  - Reduced mortality from lung cancer

- Potential risks of lung cancer screening discussed:
  - Follow up diagnostic testing may be needed if abnormality is found, this may include invasive testing.
  - False positive results
  - Incidental findings
  - Radiation exposure is cumulative

- Other considerations to be discussed:
  - The impact of comorbidities on screening. (Review of patient’s overall medical history to determine benefit)
  - The patient’s willingness to undergo invasive diagnostic procedure or treatment for lung cancer if found

- Patient counseled regarding:
  - The importance of adhering to annual lung cancer screening once eligible
  - The importance of maintaining cigarette smoking abstinence or smoking cessation, as applicable

If it is determined that the patient is a good candidate for lung cancer screening:

- A written order must be completed to include:
  - Patient’s date of birth
  - Patient’s calculated pack-year smoking history
  - Current smoking status; for former smokers- the number of years since quitting
  - Statement that the patient is asymptomatic
  - The ordering provider’s NPI number

To refer a patient for Lung CT, call 404-686-LUNG (5864).