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Connecticut Cancer Partnership

Connecticut Cancer Partnership Highlights Lung Cancer Screening Events and Expanded Screening Opportunities Across the State

Connecticut hospitals and health centers recognize National Lung Cancer Screening Day on November 14th, 2026, with educational outreach and expanded access to screening services.

FARMINGTON, CT — In recognition of National Lung Cancer Screening Day on Saturday, November 14, 2026, the Connecticut Cancer Partnership (CCP) is highlighting efforts by hospitals and healthcare organizations across the state to raise awareness about lung cancer screening and expand access to early detection services.

Through its Lung Cancer Screening Working Group, the Partnership brings together healthcare professionals and community partners committed to increasing awareness of lung cancer screening, addressing barriers to care, and helping eligible Connecticut residents access screening services.

Lung cancer remains the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States. Screening with low-dose computed tomography (LDCT) can help detect lung cancer earlier, when treatment may be more effective. National Lung Cancer Screening Day provides an opportunity to educate individuals about their risk and encourage conversations with healthcare providers about screening eligibility.

Connecticut Healthcare Organizations Recognize National Lung Cancer Screening Day

Participating organizations are offering educational activities and screening opportunities throughout November, including:

Middlesex Health Cancer Center

Middlesex Health is hosting two educational tabling events to raise awareness about lung cancer screening. The first will take place on Thursday, November 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Shoreline Medical Center, located at 250 Flat Rock Place in Westbrook. The second will be held on Thursday, November 12, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Middlesex Health Outpatient Center, located at 534 Saybrook Road in Middletown.

Additionally, Middlesex Health will open its Outpatient Center in Middletown on Saturday, November 14, to provide additional lung cancer screening appointments. While other Middlesex Health diagnostic imaging locations routinely offer Saturday screening appointments, the Outpatient Center will open specifically for National Lung Cancer Screening Day to expand access. Appointments will be available to patients with existing screening orders and can be scheduled through the organization's routine scheduling process.

Griffin Hospital

Griffin Hospital will participate in National Lung Cancer Screening Day by offering low-dose CT lung cancer screening appointments on Saturday, November 14, from 8 a.m. to noon at its Quarry Walk location in Oxford, Connecticut.

UConn Health

UConn Health is recognizing Lung Cancer Awareness Month through community outreach, patient education, and navigation services aimed at increasing awareness of lung cancer screening and improving access to early detection resources.

Throughout November, UConn Health will distribute lung cancer screening educational materials in English and Spanish at Connecticut Foodshare Mobile Pantry locations in Wethersfield, Hartford, Windsor, Bristol, New Britain, and West Hartford. These efforts will help educate community members about lung cancer risk factors, screening eligibility, and the importance of early detection.

UConn Health's Fast Pass Program will also provide personalized navigation services to help individuals interested in cancer screening schedule appointments, connect with healthcare resources, and overcome barriers to accessing care.

Additional activities include educational tabling events and collaboration with Internal Medicine, Primary Care, and Family Medicine practices to distribute lung cancer screening information to patients and encourage conversations about screening eligibility.

Yale New Haven Health

Yale New Haven Health will host a series of educational outreach events in Bridgeport leading up to National Lung Cancer Screening Day to raise awareness about lung cancer screening and the importance of early detection.

The events will begin on Wednesday, November 4, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with an informational table in the cafeteria at Bridgeport Hospital, located at 267 Grant Street in Bridgeport.

Additional "Shine a Light" informational tables will be held on Tuesday, November 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Ahlbin Center, 226 Mill Hill Avenue; Wednesday, November 11, from 9 a.m. to noon at Southwest Community Health Center, 968 Fairfield Avenue; and Thursday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to noon at Southwest Community Health Center, 46 Albion Street. All events will take place in Bridgeport.

These educational activities are intended to increase awareness of lung cancer screening and provide opportunities for individuals to learn more about early detection ahead of National Lung Cancer Screening Day.

For more information about Yale New Haven Health's lung cancer screening outreach activities, contact the patient navigator at 203-384-3788.

Hartford HealthCare

Hartford HealthCare will offer lung cancer screening appointments at five radiology locations across Connecticut on Saturday, November 14, in recognition of National Lung Cancer Screening Day. Participating locations include The Hospital of Central Connecticut in Plainville (201 North Mountain Road), Mystic Imaging in Mystic (100 Perkins Farm Drive, Suite 101), Manchester Hospital in Manchester (71 Haynes Street), Rockville Hospital in Vernon (31 Union Street), and Evergreen Imaging in South Windsor (2800 Tamarack Avenue, Suite 002).

Individuals interested in participating must schedule and complete an appointment with their primary care provider by November 12, followed by scheduling a lung cancer screening appointment at one of the participating locations for November 14.

To schedule a primary care appointment, call 855-255-6181. For additional information, visit www.hartfordhealthcare.org/LungCancerScreening.

Day Kimball Health

Day Kimball Health is recognizing Lung Cancer Awareness Month through its "Healthy Lungs November" initiative, offering free low-dose CT lung cancer screenings to qualified individuals throughout November 2026. A healthcare provider's order is required, and individuals must contact the Oncology Navigation Team to confirm eligibility and schedule an appointment.

Additionally, Day Kimball Health will recognize the Great American Smokeout on November 19 by connecting individuals who smoke or are considering quitting with smoking cessation resources and support.

For more information about screening eligibility, scheduling, or smoking cessation resources, contact Dominique Kintzer, BSN, RN, ACS LION, Oncology Nurse Navigator, at **860-928-6541,** or **DKintzer@DayKimball.org**.

Trinity Health of New England

Trinity Health Of New England is expanding access to lung cancer screening services with the addition of two screening locations in northern Connecticut. The new sites include an imaging center at 148 Hazard Avenue in Enfield and Johnson Memorial Hospital in Stafford Springs. Both locations are expected to begin offering lung cancer screening services in late October, ahead of National Lung Cancer Screening Day on November 14. This expansion will provide additional opportunities for eligible individuals to access lung cancer screening services in their communities.

Stamford Health

Stamford Health will offer lung cancer screening appointments on Saturday, November 14, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at its Tully Health Center in recognition of National Lung Cancer Screening Day. Eligible individuals can receive low-dose CT screenings to support early detection of lung cancer.

Patients interested in scheduling a screening should contact their primary care provider to request a low-dose chest CT. A prescription from a licensed practitioner and insurance authorization are required, and patients should allow at least three days for insurance approval.

For additional information, contact Lauren Drysdale, APRN, at **203-276-4404** or Melissa Ronk, RN, at **203-276-3365**.

Encouraging Early Detection Through Lung Cancer Screening

Lung cancer screening with low-dose CT is recommended for certain individuals at increased risk due to their smoking history. Screening can help identify lung cancer before symptoms develop, potentially improving treatment options and outcomes.

The Connecticut Cancer Partnership encourages individuals to speak with their healthcare providers about their personal risk factors and whether lung cancer screening is appropriate for them.

About the Connecticut Cancer Partnership

The Connecticut Cancer Partnership is a statewide coalition of more than 150 partner organizations working together to reduce the burden of cancer through prevention, early

detection, treatment, and survivorship efforts. The Partnership leads the development and implementation of the Connecticut Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, bringing together healthcare organizations, public health professionals, researchers, and community partners to advance evidence-based strategies, improve access to cancer screening and care, and improve health outcomes for Connecticut residents.

The Partnership operates as a contracted program through UConn Health in support of the Connecticut Department of Public Health's Cancer Control Program.

For more information: www.ctcancerpartnership.org, or email our coalition coordinator at scugno@uchc.edu.