

Understanding your lung cancer screening results.



What will the radiologist look for in my low-dose CT (LDCT) scan images?

The radiologist (imaging physician) who reviews your LDCT scan images will look for “spots” in your lungs. These spots in the lungs are called **lung nodules**.

What are lung nodules?

Lung nodules are growths of tissue in your lungs. Lung nodules are very common, and most are not cancer.

What are my results and what do they mean?

No Worrisome Spots (nodules) Found	Lung Nodules	Other Health Problems
Have an LDCT in one year.	Screening reveals lung nodules (not all lung nodules are lung cancer) or abnormalities found.	Your lung cancer screening may find other health problems (COPD, thyroid nodules, etc.).
It's a good idea to get screened once a year until you and your healthcare provider decide you no longer need to.	What is next if my scan shows nodules? Some nodules might need more tests or another CT before the one-year mark. How likely is it that my lung nodule(s) is cancer? Screening reveals lung nodules. Most nodules are not cancer.	What is next if my scan shows other findings like emphysema (inside) or thyroid nodules (outside) my lungs? Discuss these findings with your healthcare provider to determine if you need more tests.



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If my scan shows one or more lung nodules, what's next?

Your healthcare provider will talk to you about what tests are needed to decide if the nodules are cancer or not. Your healthcare provider may suggest one or more of the following:

- Another low-dose CT sooner than one year or other imaging studies
- Biopsy — removing a sample of the lung nodule and looking at it under a microscope to see if it's cancer
- Surgery to remove the nodule

If further care is necessary, you can count on Baptist Health Miami Cancer Institute to remain by your side and provide you with the most comprehensive care.



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