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**[Facility Name]
Earns ACR Lung Cancer Screening Center Designation**

City, State (Date) — [Facility Name] has been designated a Lung Cancer Screening Center by the American College of Radiology® (ACR®).

The ACR Lung Cancer Screening Center designation is a voluntary program that recognizes facilities that have committed to practice safe, effective diagnostic care for individuals at the highest risk for lung cancer.

In order to receive this elite distinction, facilities must be accredited by the ACR in computed tomography in the chest module, as well as undergo a rigorous assessment of its lung cancer screening protocol and infrastructure. Also required are procedures in place for follow-up patient care, such as counseling and smoking cessation programs.

Lung cancer screening with low-dose computed tomography scans, and appropriate follow-up care, [significantly reduces lung cancer deaths](http://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMoa1102873). In March 2021, the United States Preventive Services Task Force [recommended](http://annals.org/article.aspx?articleid=1809422) screening of adults aged 50 to 80 years who have a 20 pack-year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years. Lung cancer is the nation’s leading cancer killer – taking the lives of more people each year than breast, colon and prostate cancers combined.

For more information about the Lung Cancer Screening Center designation, visit: [acr.org/Quality-Safety/Lung-Cancer-Screening-Center](http://www.acr.org/Quality-Safety/Lung-Cancer-Screening-Center).

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