Cancer Screening May Save Your Life

1 in 2 people in Ontario will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. Cancer screening helps to find cancer when it is small and most treatable.



Colon Cancer Screening

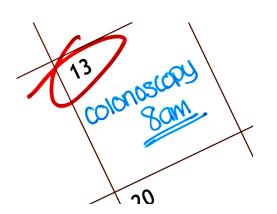
9 out of 10 people can be cured if colon cancer is caught early.



Are you between **50 and 74** years of age?
A "FIT" kit is a simple, clean, and painless stool (poop) test you do at home **every 2 years** to check for colorectal cancer.

The test is mailed to your home. You can use the pre-paid mailing envelope to return the completed test or drop it off at a LifeLabs close to you.





Do you have an immediate family member who has had colorectal cancer?
You may be at **increased risk.** Talk to your primary care provider about starting screening sooner with a colonoscopy.

Lung Cancer Screening

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer related deaths in Ontario.





1 Assess your risk

Are you between **55 and 74** years of age, <u>and</u> have smoked cigarettes daily for at least 20 years (not necessarily in a row)? Even if you have quit smoking, it is important to get screened.



2 Speak to your healthcare provider

Talk to your primary care provider about a referral to the lung cancer screening program or, to book an appointment call 1-905-576-8711 extension 34449.



3 Getting screened

You will have a painless, low-dose CT scan of your chest. The test will only take a few minutes and the nurse will call you within a few days to talk about any next steps.

Breast Cancer Screening

1 in 9 women will get breast cancer. More people survive breast cancer than almost every other cancer.



<u>Average Risk</u>



- If you are between 50 and 74 years of age and have no family history of breast cancer, you need a mammogram every 2 years.
- Call 1-800-668-9304 to book your own appointment. No referral is necessary.

High Risk

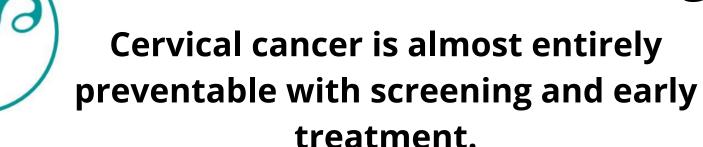


If you are between **30 and 69** years of age, you may be **high risk** and need screening **every year** if you:

- Have certain changes in your genes (genetic mutations)
- Have a family or personal health history of cancer
- Have had radiation therapy to your chest

Talk to your primary care provider if any of these apply to you.

Cervical Cancer Screening



You need a Pap test every **3 years** to check for cervical cancer or pre-cancer cells if you are:

- A woman or trans/non-binary person with a cervix,
- Between 25 and 70 years of age, and
- Have ever been sexually active

How do I get a Pap test?

Call your primary care provider to book an appointment for a Pap test. If you do not have a primary care provider, you can go to a sexual health clinic for your pap test. Visit www.sexualhealthontario.ca for a list of locations.





Get screened for cancer before you have any symptoms. This is an important way to take care of your health.



www.lakeridgehealth.on.ca/en/ourservices/preventionandscreening.asp

