



Australian Government

NATIONAL
CANCER
SCREENING
REGISTER

NATIONAL
BOWELCANCER
SCREENING PROGRAM

BreastScreen
AUSTRALIA
A joint Australian, State and Territory Government Program

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LUNG CANCER
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CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY REFERENCE GUIDE

Use this checklist to determine which cancer screening programs your patient may be eligible for during their appointment. If your patient does not meet the eligibility criteria, discuss alternative options to screening.

NATIONAL BOWEL CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

- ✓ Aged 45 to 74
- ✓ Have a green Medicare card or registered as a Department of Veterans' Affairs customer
- ✓ Have an Australian mailing address
- ✓ Check the patient does not have signs or symptoms of bowel cancer or a colonoscopy within the past 2 years

IF ELIGIBLE

Aged 50 to 74: patients will receive a free home test kit in the mail every 2 years.

Aged 45 to 49: patients can request a kit at ncsr.gov.au/boweltest and will continue receiving a free kit every 2 years.

BREASTSCREEN AUSTRALIA

- ✓ Woman aged 40 to 74
- ✓ No breast cancer symptoms
- ✓ Able to attend a BreastScreen clinic or mobile location
- ✓ No breast cancer diagnosis in the past 5 years

IF ELIGIBLE

Patients should call BreastScreen on 13 20 50 to book their free mammogram – they can have one every 2 years. Women with breast symptoms should be referred for diagnostic assessment, not screening.

NATIONAL CERVICAL SCREENING PROGRAM

- ✓ Woman or person with a cervix
- ✓ Aged 25 to 74
- ✓ Has had sexual contact (of any kind, with anyone)
- ✓ Has no symptoms of cervical cancer

IF ELIGIBLE

The patient can have a Medicare-rebated Cervical Screening Test (CST) every 5 years. The CST can be self-collected at a health care clinic or collected by a healthcare provider (like a doctor, nurse or health worker).

NATIONAL LUNG CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

- ✓ Aged 50 to 70
- ✓ Show no signs or symptoms suggestive of lung cancer
- ✓ Currently smoke or have quit smoking in the past 10 years
- ✓ Have a history of tobacco cigarette smoking of 30 pack-years

IF ELIGIBLE

Provide the patient with a program-specific request form for a free low-dose CT scan, and complete the Eligibility & Enrolment form in the NCSR.



Find out more:
**[health.gov.au/
hcp-screening-toolkit](http://health.gov.au/hcp-screening-toolkit)**

or call the National Cancer Screening Register
on **1800 627 701**

To view patient screening history for the bowel, cervical and lung cancer screening programs, check the National Cancer Screening Register (NCSR) through your integrated clinical software or the NCSR Healthcare Provider Portal:
www.ncsr.gov.au/hcp