In 2010, the National Lung Screening Trial was halted after showing a 20% reduction in mortality for high risk individuals when three years of annual lung cancer screening was performed by low dose computed tomography (NEJM, 2011). Many questions remained about whether screening could be properly implemented in non-academic, community settings. Lung Cancer Alliance developed a National Framework for Excellence in Lung Cancer Screening and Continuum of Care in 2012 and began a nationwide network dedicated to responsible lung cancer screening. The Screening Center of Excellence (SCOE) designation requires a center to ensure shared decision-making, comply with best practice standards, work with a multidisciplinary care team, deliver or refer for smoking cessation, provide results in a timely manner, and meet technical specifications set by the American College of Radiology. Our aim is to promote high-quality, responsible lung cancer screening throughout the United States, including in community settings where most lung cancer is diagnosed.

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