

P-06-1435 We're calling on the Welsh Government to commit to implementing targeted lung cancer screening

This petition was submitted by Simon Scheeres, having collected a total of 5,339 signatures.

Text of Petition:

Lung cancer claims 1,800 lives each year, more than any other cancer in Wales.

This must change.

We can do things to reduce this impact. One of these is targeted lung cancer screening, which would invite people aged 55-74 to be screened if they have a high-risk of lung cancer.

This screening can catch lung cancer at an earlier stage: and can save lives from lung cancer.

By taking 2 minutes to sign, you can aid calls for the Welsh Government to commit to implementing this screening in Wales.

Additional Information:

In Wales, almost half of lung cancers are caught at the latest stage. Too many die from lung cancer for this reason.

By screening those most at risk we can detect lung cancer earlier: when survival is highest.

We know this works, as an evaluation of English Targeted Lung Health Checks (a pilot programme) saw:

- 76% of lung cancers caught at an early stage.

Last year, the UK National Screening Committee recommended targeted lung cancer screening to all UK nations, with the provision of stop smoking

support. This screening is for people aged 55–74 without symptoms, who hold a high risk of lung cancer (those with a history of smoking). Sadly, only one UK nation (England) has committed to a national rollout of this. This must change.

Lung cancer takes a terrible toll on Wales. Targeted lung cancer screening can help reduce this toll, giving more people precious time with family and friends.

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- Cardiff South and Penarth
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