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Lung Screening Study
Result Letter to Participant's Physician

[DATE]

[PHYSICIAN NAME]
[PHYSICIAN ADDRESS]

RE: Participant Name: [PARTICIPANT NAME]

Date of Birth: [DATE OF BIRTH]

Date of Examination: [DATE OF EXAM]

Dear Doctor [PHYSICIAN NAME] ,

Recently [PARTICIPANT NAME] participated in a voluntary screening exam as part of the Lung Screening Study. This is an NCI-sponsored scientific study designed to compare chest X-rays and spiral CTs as potential screening tests for lung cancer.

[PARTICIPANT NAME]'s (CHEST X-RAY/SPIRAL CT) exam was found to be negative for lung cancer. However, other abnormal findings of unknown significance were observed. At the participant's request, we are sending you the attached report, documenting the results of the examination.

The abnormality that was detected on [PARTICIPANTS NAME]'s exam was a small, smooth, non-calcified nodule. The chance that this finding represents a malignancy is small. Nevertheless, we suggested to [PARTICIPANT NAME] that s/he speak with you regarding the issues surrounding the detection of these growths, because no strong consensus exists in the medical community as to whether such nodules/lesions require additional follow-up. We encourage you to talk with [participant name] in a timely fashion to answer any questions that he or she may have.

This screening examination was not intended to be a complete physical examination or a substitute for a visit to a doctor. If you would like additional information regarding the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer, please contact the Screening Center.

We appreciate your cooperation in this important study. If you have any questions about the exam results or any other aspect of the Lung Screening Study, please do not hesitate to call NAME, Lung Screening Study Project Coordinator at (###) ###-####.

Sincerely,

Principal Investigator
Lung Screening Study