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Template for an initial assessment   
of workforce capacity for lung   
cancer screening

This template provides a suggested structure for mapping the availability of healthcare professionals that could be involved in lung cancer screening. It may serve as a starting point for understanding potential deficits in workforce capacity across a health system as a lung cancer screening programme is set up and later expanded.

**Please adapt as appropriate to your country/region and complete based on the best available data in your health system**

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| **Healthcare professional** | **Number per  10,000 cancer patients** | **Number per 100,000 population** | **How many personnel might be needed to fulfil each component of a lung cancer screening programme?** |
| Family physicians (general practitioners) |  |  |  |
| Primary care nurses |  |  |  |
| Non-clinical personnel (administrators) |  |  |  |
| Patient navigators |  |  |  |
| Smoking cessation specialists |  |  |  |
| Respiratory medicine specialists (pulmonologists) |  |  |  |
| Radiologists\* |  |  |  |
| Medical physicists\* |  |  |  |
| Radiographers |  |  |  |
| Thoracic surgeons |  |  |  |
| Medical oncologists |  |  |  |
| Radiation oncologists\* |  |  |  |
| Medical and pathology lab scientists\* |  |  |  |
| Specialist nurses (in cancer or respiratory health) |  |  |  |

\*Healthcare professions and data reported in [WHO Cancer country profiles](https://www.who.int/teams/noncommunicable-diseases/surveillance/data/cancer-profiles); there may be variation in sources of information used.