

# Lung Cancer in Kentucky: Improving Patient Outcomes

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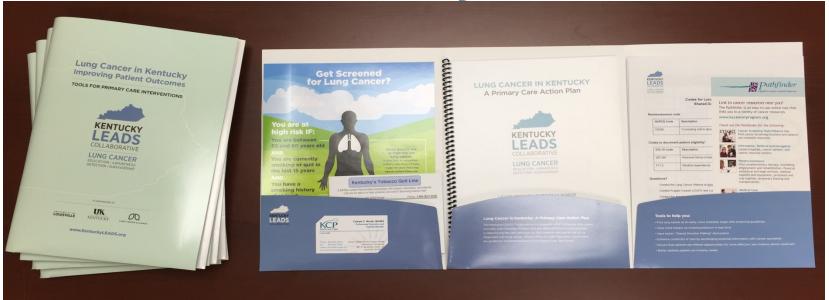
# **Component Overview**

**Goal:** Improve lung cancer care in Kentucky through educational interventions for primary care providers (MDs, DOs, PAs, NPs)

### **Objectives:**

- Increase lung cancer screening rates among eligible candidates
- Increase tobacco cessation treatment referral among lung cancer patients and their families/care givers
- Increase referrals by primary care providers of lung cancer patients to oncology specialists
- Increase knowledge of innovative treatments, such as targeted therapy and immunotherapy
- Increase knowledge of patient services within regions so that
  patients are referred more often to services via the KCP Pathfinder
  resource tool.

**KY LEADS Primary Care Toolkit** 



- 14 tools, plus additional resources printed on folder
- Includes Kentucky LEADS Primary Care Action Plan
- Topics:
  - Lung cancer screening
  - Impacting smoking behavior in less time
  - Better "Shared Decision Making" discussions
  - Improving continuity of care
  - Cancer patient and provider resources
  - Addressing patient survivorship needs



## **Live Presentations with Toolkit**

#### One-on-One CME visits to PCPs

- 10 30 minute visits in PCP offices
- Conducted by KCP Regional Cancer Control Specialists across Kentucky
- Free CME credit (0.25 0.5)

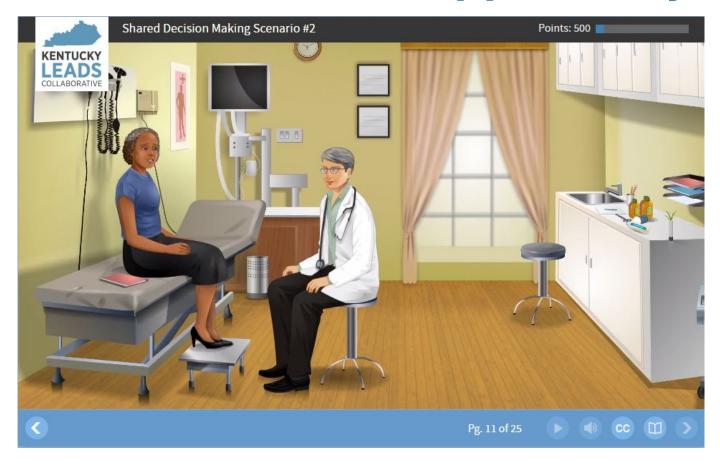
#### Large Group Presentations

- One hour presentation for grand rounds, conferences, etc.
- Audiences of 30 or more
- Uses PowerPoint and interactive iClicker audience response system
- Free CME credit (1.0)





# Free online CME opportunity



"Lung Cancer in Kentucky: Improving Patient Outcomes"

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## "Lung Cancer in Kentucky: Improving Patient Outcomes"

- Designed for Primary Care Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician Assistants
- Innovative and Interactive

• Course realures.	•	Course	features:
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- ☐ Topics covering entire lung cancer care continuum
- $\Box$  1 2 hours free CME credit with optional content
- Animated scenarios
- Physician and survivor testimonials
- Gamification
- Can be paused and resumed until completion

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## **Progress to Date**

## Large Group Presentations

- 2 completed, 3 more scheduled
- 63 health care providers attended
- Positive evaluations

#### One-on-One CME visits

- 69 PCPs visited in first 6 weeks
- Estimated > 300 calls/emails to schedule visits

#### Online CME Course

- Recently launched
- Mailers to > 4,700 PCPs
- Future mailing to > 2,000 NPs
- Additional promotion underway



## **Challenges and Lessons Learned**

- PCPs can be a "hard to reach" audience.
- Doctors' front office staff can be biggest barrier to allowing a visit, and they expect food.
- Ask for 5 minutes and once you're with the provider, you might get 10, 15, or more.
- If 40 are supposed to attend, 20 will show up.
- No single type of CME will work and credit is not a huge incentive.
- Promotion is a fight against "noise."
- Don't trust when contractors say it will be done!
- Keep plugging a lot of people care about lung cancer!

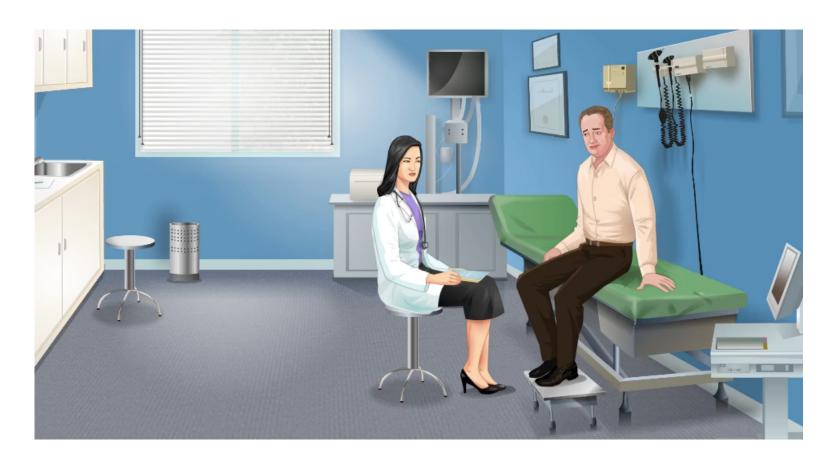


# **Key Next Steps**

- Promote, promote!
- Mass mailing, exhibits and announcements at provider conferences
- Partnerships with major health systems
- Letters from leadership to provider groups
- 3 month follow-up survey (with incentive payments) to participants to determine practice changes
- Develop webinar addressing timely issues with screening



# Online Course Shared Decision Making Scenario Excerpt







Patient: Frank Unsur

Age: 65 Sex: Male

Smoking history: 1 pack/day for 40 years

Current smoker? No Last smoked: 5 years ago

#### How should you respond to your patient, Frank?

#### YES

Medicare will cover the screening because Frank meets the requirements.

#### NO

Medicare will not cover the screening because Frank does not meet the requirements.

