

June 2020 Newsletter

Lung Health Checks in the Yorkshire Evening Post

The Yorkshire Lung Screening Trial is currently the third largest cancer trial in the UK.

In the last 18 months the study screened over 4000 people. With a further 8 screening rounds to go the study is on target to reach nearly 7000 participants around Leeds.

You can read more about it in the Yorkshire Post:

<https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/health/yorkshire-forefront-cancer-research-its-ranked-second-number-people-trials-2859655#gsc.tab=0>



Screening service resuming in July 2020

Along with other UK screening services, the Leeds Lung Health Checks were unable to run as normal through lockdown.



Patients with findings on their earlier scans (a lung nodule) were still invited to visit the units based on the carpark at the Edge sports centre, University of Leeds.

New patients had their appointments delayed until the vans could return to Roundhay Park. The service is now able to start again with suitable precautions and PPE and screening will be available again from the start of July.

People who don't respond to screening invites

More than 52% of people who receive an invitation for screening take the time to call our telephone lines and complete the first part of the Leeds Lung Health Check.

In line with other UK screening service, we are looking to send a repeat invitation after 2 years to people who don't reply to their first invitation letter. This means if circumstances have changed, they have the opportunity to change their mind and take part later on in lung screening.

YCR Stop Smoking Pilot Service

This service aims to provide a free 12 week online stop smoking programme for any Yorkshire residents wishing to quit smoking during lockdown. The service is delivered online and over the phone meaning it has never been easier to access support and quit smoking.

Recruitment to the pilot is now full with the pilot itself in full swing after a successful online campaign through Facebook and the Yorkshire Cancer Research website. The popularity of the service has shown the demand is there for an online stop smoking service in Yorkshire.

<https://yorkshirecancerresearch.org.uk/stop-smoking-pilot>

