



Lung Cancer Symptom Assessment Line

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What is LUMEN?

Within Wales there are over 2,300 patients are diagnosed with lung cancer each year, however less than 20% of these are diagnosed at early stage when they are eligible for curative treatment, it has been shown that early diagnoses lead to improved survival.

LUMEN is the Lung Cancer Symptoms Assessment Line, A nurse led telephone service, where patients with potential lung cancer symptoms can call, speak with a respiratory nurse, be booked for a chest x-ray and be assessed for Lung Cancer.

This pilot service is currently being run within the Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire & Ceredigion

Early Diagnosis Saves Lives

If you are 40 or older, with any of these symptoms

- Cough (more than 3 weeks)
- Losing weight without trying
- Shortness of breath
- Hoarse voice
- Repeated chest infections
- Chest pain
- More tired than usual
- Loss of appetite
- A lung condition with changing symptoms



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Tel: 0300 3036142

Lines are open Monday - Friday, 9am - 2pm
This is a confidential service, and calls are charged a local rate







WHAT IS LUMEN?

The LUMEN project was a successful applicant of Moondance Cancer Initiative's Innovation Time Award, led by Dr Savita Shanbhag. Moondance developed a funding call for projects focusing on early diagnosis of Cancers.

Hywel Dda University Health Board's Research Department had previously developed a similar project with Savita, called the PLUS study, where selected pharmacies were able to fast track patients with relevant symptoms for chest x-ray. Sadly, this project was forced to close early due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

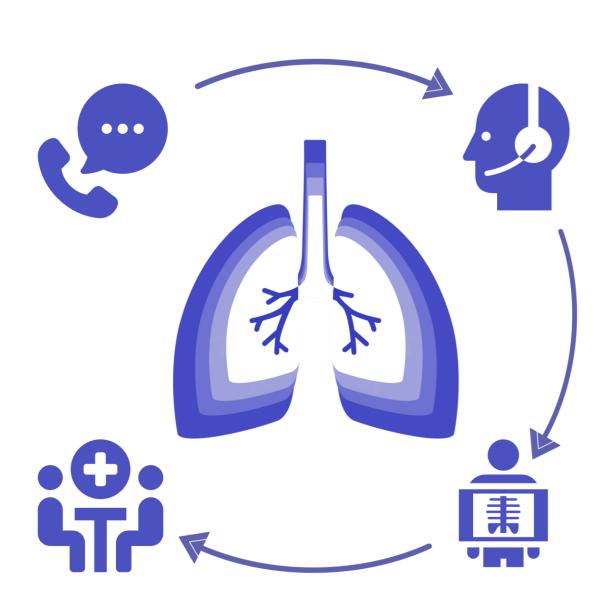


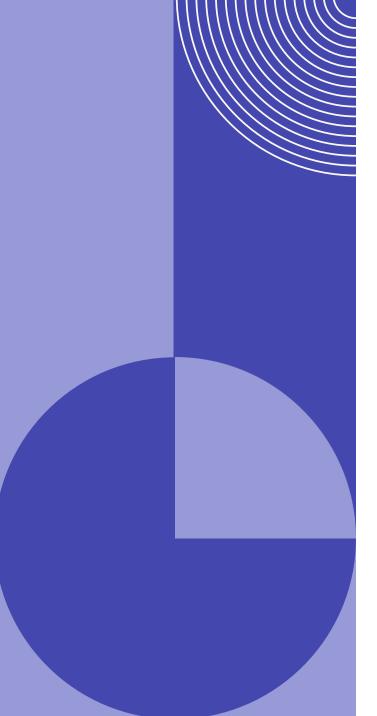
PRIMARY GOALS

- To create a new pathway for lung cancer diagnosis
- Increase number of patients getting an early diagnosis
- Make it easy to use for both Public and Staff
- Be aware of digital inclusion
- Use current health board facilities and equipment

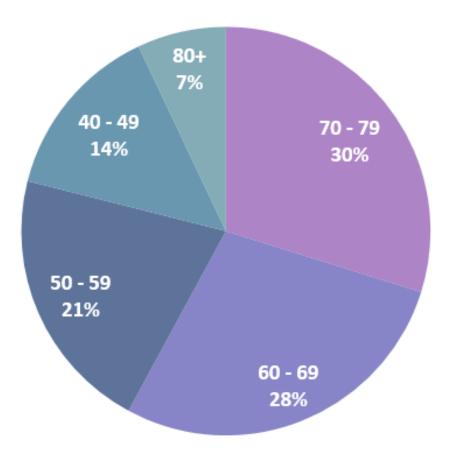




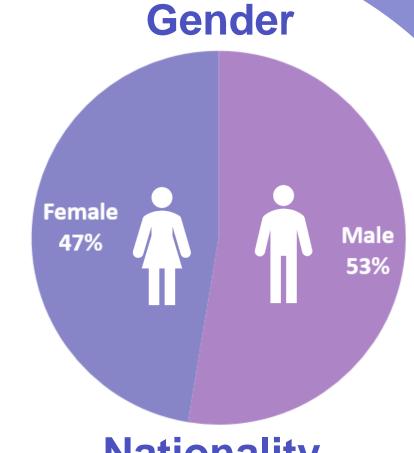




Age Range



Average of Age 64



Nationality



90%



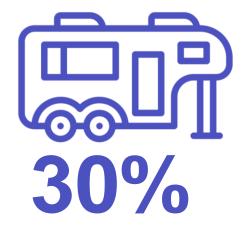
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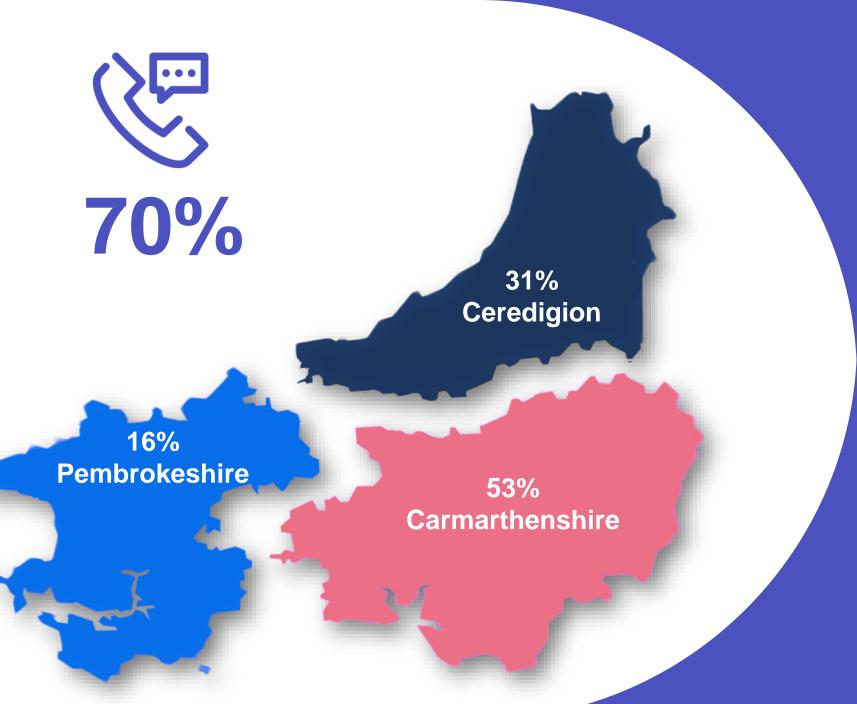


14% = Ceredigion

9% = Carmarthenshire

7% = Pembrokeshire

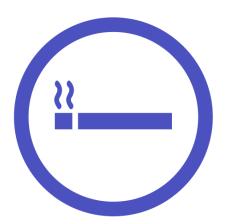




19%
Current
Smokers



37% Ex Smokers



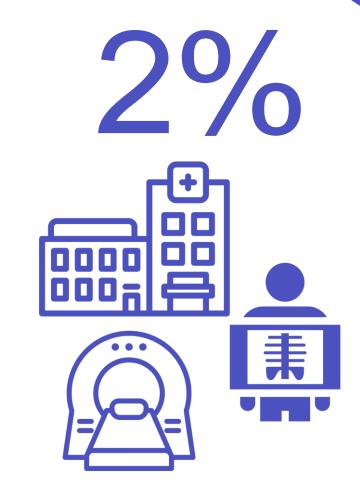
44%
Never
Smoked





11% stated that they had exposure to asbestos

Of service users offered chest x-ray



Either recently had a Chest X-Ray or were already booked in for a CT Scan



Cough 84%



Shortness of Breath 5%



Haemoptysis 5%



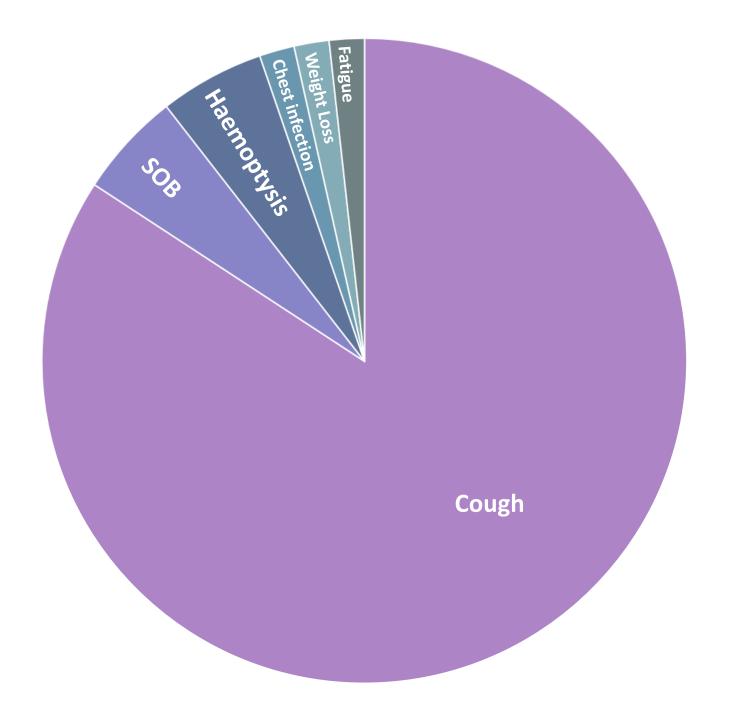
Recurrent Chest Infection 2%



Weight Loss 2%



Fatigue 2%





Cough 26%



Shortness of Breath 20%



Fatigue 17%



Hoarse Voice 8%



Chest Infections 7%



Weight Loss 6%



Chest Pain 5%



Appetite Loss 4%



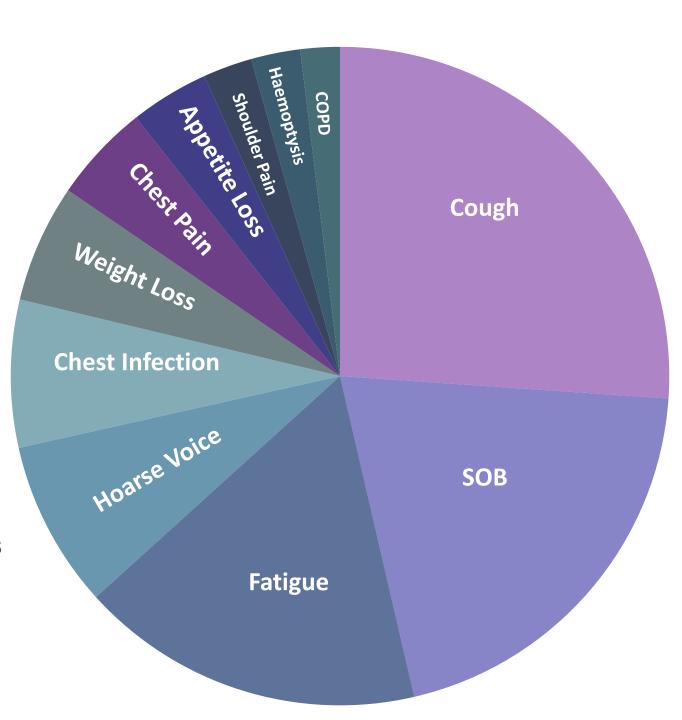
Shoulder Pain 3%



Haemoptysis 2%



COPD with Changing Symptoms 2%



What do we need to ...

Keep doing?	Improve?
Giving advice, support and reassurance	More publicity
Listening and understanding	Promote LUMEN in public information correspondence e.g. local and/ or central government
Trying to help people who struggle to stop smoking	Nothing, just keep doing what you're doing!
Keep doing the same Keep the service	







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