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Serving West Puget Sound's Medical Community

Lung Cancer Awareness Month

Lung Cancer Awareness Month in November brought attention to a disease that each year kills more people than breast, prostate, colon and pancreas cancers combined. According to the American Cancer Society, in 2006 there will be an estimated 174,470 new cases and 162,460 deaths from lung cancer in the United States.

Olympic Radiology is dedicated to assist our referring practitioners with the diagnostic tools to assist them in the diagnosis and treatment of patients with lung cancer or suspected lung cancer.

NURSE STAFFED—Olympic Radiology's facility is equipped with a nurse staffed recovery room. We are able to provide minimally invasive interventional procedures such as CT Guided Lung Biopsies. Our nursing staff provides services from pre-procedure interviews to post-procedure follow-up.

PET/CT—Lung Cancer was the first PET indication approved by Medicare. Many clinicians now use PET routinely for managing their patients with NSCLC and for characterization of SPN's. In addition, with PET/CT available we are finding that its use is growing by assisting with radiation therapy planning. Olympic Radiology now routinely scans all its PET/CT patients on a radiation therapy table and positions the patient to most closely align with potential radiation therapy protocols. In addition, we create DICOM CD images on ALL PET/CT patients that are customized for radiation therapy fusion making them available for potential future use.

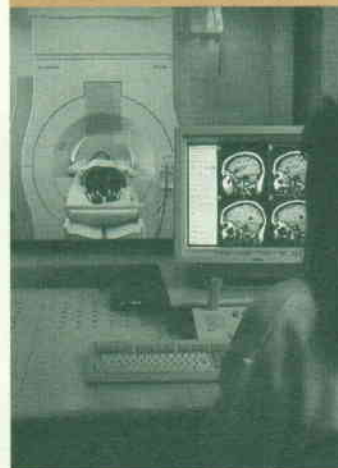
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