

# Lung health in the AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY



**65,000** long-term respiratory diseases reported in the territory (excl. lung cancer)

**24,300** people currently smoke tobacco (aged 15 years and over)

**26,700+** people potentially working in high risk industries



**\$253m**

spent on lung conditions in the ACT in 2022-23

**8% of disease-related health spending**

## The impact of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

**79** deaths in 2023

**Cause of more deaths than diabetes**

**402** years of life potentially lost in 2023

**Early diagnosis and timely intervention can slow disease progression**

**630** potentially preventable hospitalisations in 2022-23

**#3** cause among chronic conditions

**Lung cancer is the ACT's leading cause of cancer death, but lacks support compared to other common cancers**

**605**

years of life potentially lost in 2023

**4,500+**

people potentially eligible for lung cancer screening in 2025



**Specialist lung cancer nurses**

urgently needed in at least **1 public hospital**



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**1 in 3** people have a lung condition