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**November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month** and [Macmillan Cancer Support](#) is encouraging people to be aware of the signs and symptoms of the disease.

Lung cancer is common in both men and women, and is the second most common cancer diagnosed in the UK with around 43,500 cases diagnosed every year. Smoking is the main cause of lung cancer, but non-smokers get it too.

If you have any of these symptoms, it's important to have them checked by your GP. Some of these symptoms can be caused by other conditions or by smoking.

- a cough that lasts for three weeks or more
- a change in a cough you have had for a long time.
- a chest infection that doesn't get better, or repeated chest infections
- feeling breathless for no reason
- coughing up blood
- a hoarse voice that lasts for three weeks or more
- pain in your chest or shoulder that doesn't get better.

#### More information

- [MacMillan Cancer information and support](#) for people affected by lung cancer.
- Information on [Cancer](#) on People First
- [MacMillan Cancer Care Navigator service](#), in partnership with Imperial College NHS Trust, to provide a single contact number to deliver a better experience for people with cancer in north west London

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