

9"Luce report on lung cancer

Empowering voices: Knowledge and decision-making among people impacted by lung cancer in Europe



Knowledge about lung cancer

Knowledge about risk factors



82.8%

Smoking history



42.5%

Second-hand smoke



38.5%

Pollution



Asbestos



34.4%



21.5%



Radiation

Family history

Knowledge about screening



Only 40.6% knew what lung cancer screening was



44.9% did not know if there was a lung cancer screening programme in their country

Knowledge about symptoms

Only two symptoms were known by more than 50%

Seven symptoms

were known only by less than 15%



72.5% Persistent cough



52.6% Shortness of breath

Night sweats; Bone pain; Fever; Dysphagia; Finger clubbing; Superior vena cava obstruction (SVCO); Nodes/lumps/swellings

Delayed medical advice due to...

46.5%

did not recognise lung cancer symptoms

42.9%

misattributing symptoms to other conditions

Knowledge about the disease

29.7%

did not have a good level of knowledge about the disease 24.2%

did not understand well the prognosis of the disease 22.2%

did not know if the tumour was positive for any marker

Lack of knowledge about treatment and care



46.9% Clinical trials



45.1% Palliative care



43.8% **Biomarkers**



CALL TO ACTION



Raise awareness of lung cancer and early detection, and support risk reduction efforts **Enable shared decision making** to help improve quality of life

Methodology

Answers based on a self filled online survey (May 24th - July 7th, 2024) from 2,040 participants (1,432 people with lung cancer and 608 caregivers) from 34 WHO European Region countries. The full report can be accessed here: www.lungcancereurope.eu

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