

Cardiopulmonary Services is on the Go!

Look for us..... We will be visiting your area (department) soon doing pulmonary screening for COPD. The CPS department has taken on the goal of providing spirometer to 80% of the hospital staff to bring awareness to the under diagnosis of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).

CPS will be promoting screening throughout the community in the upcoming months by offering screening and awareness about COPD. COPD is estimated to affect 24 million Americans but half remain undiagnosed because symptoms may not occur until later in the disease. COPD awareness and education is critical because the sooner you are diagnosed, the sooner treatment can be started and with education symptoms can be lessened or avoided. COPD is the 4th leading cause of death and soon to be the 3rd as it is the only one of the top 4 on the rise. It effects the older generation and as we see the “baby boomers” aging we see an increase in the incidence of the disease. Many people who may be at risk for COPD have never even heard of it. COPD kills more people each year than breast cancer and diabetes.

CPS has state of the art testing equipment for screening and complete testing with credentialed and well trained staff available to perform testing and screening. Screening is the first step to education on the disease, treatment, and prevention of developing the disease. It is estimated that 1 out of every 20 people will have an abnormal screen and do not know that they are at risk or even have symptoms a the time of screening.

Look for us soon.....we will be scheduling time with your director to screen and educate you on the benefits of early diagnosis of COPD.

