Dear {NAME},

Our records indicate that you were due for a CT lung screening exam on or around {FOLLOWUPDATE}. Please call 781-744-7192 to schedule this appointment. If you have decided you do not want this study performed or you are receiving care elsewhere, please let us know at your earliest convenience so we may update our records. We will not make further attempts to reach you after this letter. We will be available to assist you in scheduling an appointment if you are interested in continuing with the program.

Here are some other important points you should know:

• THE SCREENING DOES NOT OBLIGATE YOU TO RETURN TO LAHEY HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CENTER FOR ANY FURTHER SCREENINGS, FOR FURTHER EVALUATION OF ANY FINDINGS, OR FOR ANY OTHER SERVICES THAT LAHEY HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CENTER PROVIDES. THIS SAME POINT HAS BEEN EMPHASIZED IN OUR CORRESPONDENCE WITH YOUR REFERRING PHYSICIAN.

• Your full low-dose Chest CT report, including any minor observations, has been sent to your health care provider. Your exam report and images will be kept on file at Lahey Clinic as part of your permanent record and are available for your continuing care.

• You are under no obligation to return to Lahey Hospital & Medical Center for annual CT lung screening or followup evaluation of any findings discovered as a result of your CT lung screening exam.

• Although low-dose chest CT is very effective at finding lung cancer early, it cannot find all lung cancers. If you develop any new symptoms such as shortness of breath, chest pain, or coughing up blood, please call your doctor.

• Please keep in mind that good health involves quitting smoking (for help, call Lahey’s Quitline at 781-744-QUIT), an annual physical exam, and continued screening with low-dose chest CT.

If you have any questions about this letter or have difficulty in contacting your health care provider please call one of our patient navigators, Christina Derochers at (781) 744-7192 or Shawn Regis at (781) 744-7890.

Sincerely,
The Sophia Gordon Cancer Center and Department of Radiology