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**Have you read about CT LUNG SCANS in the news for the early detection of lung cancer?**

San Jose, CA – November 1, 2006 – PremiereScan, a comprehensive, free-standing diagnostic imaging center serving the greater San Jose area, announces the availability to provide CT Lung Scans as a diagnostic tool for lung cancer screening.

The lung scans use computed tomography (CT), sometimes called a CAT scan, and computers to produce two- and three-dimensional images of the chest. The examination takes about 30 minutes or less. PremiereScan employs Board Certified Radiologists – with years of practical experience in teaching hospitals reading lung scans and interpreting results. Ideal candidates for the screening are those who have a current or a past history of smoking, exposure to secondhand smoke, exposure to cancer-causing agents or a history of tuberculosis or pneumonia.

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among both men and women. The American Cancer Society estimates in 2006, there will be about 174,470 new cases of lung cancer and there will be an estimated 162,460 deaths from lung cancer.

On October 26, 2006, a study by Dr. Claudia Henschke of New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center published a landmark study in the New England Journal of Medicine on the “Survival of Patients with Stage 1 Lung Cancer Detected on CT Screening”. The study suggests that annual chest CT-scan screenings of people who are at high risk for lung cancer may reduce

the chance of death from lung cancer. Doctors estimate that 88 percent of the participants whose lung cancer was detected early via CT scan and treated will still be alive 10 years in the future. This rate is higher than the 70 percent five-year survival estimate generally associated with treated, early-stage lung cancer, suggesting CT scanning could be an effective screening tool. PremiereScan's goal is to provide early detection lung screenings as a resource to high risk individuals in the southbay.