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Chemotherapy for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

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Some small cell and non-small cell lung cancers are only in the chest but cannot be removed with surgery. They may be treated with a combination of chemotherapy and radiation. Radiation can work very well at controlling disease in the primary area in the chest. Chemotherapy helps the radiation work better. It also can treat microscopic disease that may have spread outside the chest.

Clinical Trials of New Chemotherapy Drugs

By choosing MSK for your care, you may have access to new treatments that are not widely available elsewhere. Clinical trials also are a way for you to make a valuable contribution to research on lung cancer. Joining a [clinical trial](#) is voluntary.

Many of our current clinical trials focus on testing for genetic mutations (changes). Almost all our patients who have non-small cell lung cancer get genetic testing. This lets us choose treatments that target their specific kind of cancer.

We also have clinical trials that test new treatments for tumors that do not have certain mutations. They include drugs that kill cancer cells, and new agents that stimulate the immune system to fight cancer.

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