

Inner Imaging Body Scans at Reduced Fee Schedule

While you should always consult your regular physician regarding medical procedures, the PBA has arranged a discounted fee schedule for police officers who wish to avail themselves of the latest body-scanning technology providing cutting-edge medical diagnoses. Inner Imaging, a body scanning facility at 67 Irving Place in Manhattan, offers non-invasive heart, lung, colon, or full body scans that can detect early stages of heart disease, lung and colon cancers, or other problematic conditions. Certain scans can also measure bone density.

The **heart scan** can detect plaque deposits and hardening of the arteries (atherosclerosis), which can lead to sudden heart attack. Most heart attacks are caused by blockages that often go undetected by traditional stress testing.

The **lung scan** uses an Electronic Beam Tomography (EBT) that is ten times more sensitive than a regular chest X-ray and can detect early lung cancer. A baseline lung scan can also help measure the effects of environmental pollutants and job related hazards – which is especially important in light of the dangerous exposure almost all of us experienced while working in the rescue-and-recovery effort in the wake of 9/11.

Inner Imaging's EBT technology can also conduct a virtual *colonography*, a non-invasive procedure (as opposed to the traditional invasive colonoscopy) for the early detection of colon cancer, the nation's second most common cause of cancer-related death.

PBA members with the following risk factors should consider having these life saving tests:

- Family history of heart disease
- Diabetes
- High cholesterol
- High blood pressure
- Smokers or former smokers
- Over 50 in age, never having had a traditional colonoscopy (even with no prior family history of colon cancer)
- A family history of colorectal cancer
- A high-fat diet
- Being physically inactive
- Obesity
- Having spent considerable time at Ground Zero, the morgue, or the Staten Island landfill during in the wake of 9/11.

More information on these and other procedures is available at (212) 777-8900 or at www.innerimaging.com.

Inner Imaging does not usually accept health insurance as a form of payment. (Check with your insurer regarding possible reimbursement.)

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