



* Fleischner Society Guidelines (9)

Nodule size (a)	Patient with low cancer risk (b)	Patient with high cancer risk (c)
≤ 4 mm	No surveillance (d)	Surveillance CT at 12 months
4 – 6 mm	Surveillance CT at 12 months. If no significant change, discontinue	Surveillance CT at 6-12 months, then at 18-24 months if no change
6 – 8 mm	Surveillance CT at 6 – 12 months, then at 18-24 months if no change	Surveillance CT at 3-6 months, then at 9-12 months and 24 months if no change

- Average of largest and smallest axial diameters of the nodule
- No smoking history and absence of other risk factors
- Previous or current smoking history, or other risk factors
- Risk of malignancy (<0.1%) is substantially lower than for an asymptomatic smoker

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*** Consider patient preference, severity of medical comorbidities, center specific expertise prior to tissue diagnosis

FIGURE 3. Algorithm for evaluation of solid SPN. TBBx = transbronchial biopsy; TTNA = transthoracic needle aspiration. See Figure 2 legend for expansion of other abbreviations.