Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema: How Are They Different?

**Chronic bronchitis**

These pictures show how your airways change.

When you have chronic bronchitis:
- Your airway walls become swollen
- Your airways get narrow
- Extra mucus makes you cough more

**Emphysema**

These pictures show how your air sacks change.

When you have emphysema:
- Not all the air gets pushed out when you breathe out
- You don’t have enough room for healthy new air

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**Did you know?**

COPD* is a lung disease that affects your breathing. COPD includes chronic bronchitis, emphysema, or both.

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*Chronic (kron-ick) obstructive (ob-struck-tiv) pulmonary (pull-muh-nair-ee) disease, including chronic bronchitis (bronk-eye-tis), emphysema (em-fuh-zee-muh), or both.

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