



A Basic Overview of the
**Former Worker Medical
Screening Program**

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OVERVIEW

This pamphlet has been developed by the Office of Health, Safety and Security (HSS) as part of its outreach and awareness campaign to advance the Department of Energy (DOE) mission. Specifically, it provides important information to inform former and current DOE Federal, contractor, and subcontractor employees about potentially lifesaving benefits and services offered under the DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program (FWP).

FWP was first established in 1994 following the issuance of the 1993 Defense Authorization Act (PL 102-484), which called for DOE to assist workers with determining whether they had health issues related to their work at a DOE facility. FWP offers free medical screening to workers for potential adverse health effects related to occupational exposures, such as beryllium, asbestos, silica, welding fumes, lead, cadmium, chromium, and solvents. The medical screening exams are administered by third party providers through cooperative agreements with DOE. This is to ensure objective evaluation of workers' health in relation to their prior workplace exposures by independent physicians with expertise in occupational medicine.

A critical goal of FWP is to reach out to as many of the 600,000 former employees who have worked in the DOE complex, or for its predecessor Agencies, during the past 60 years. One strategy that DOE relies on to accomplish this goal is by making the screening examinations conveniently available to workers regardless of where they currently reside.

FWP, as well as DOE's support to the Department of Labor's (DOL) Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program (EEOICP), is managed and administered by HSS. These are two of the most important programs within HSS and have the unwavering commitment and support of DOE's senior leadership. The Department views these programs as a moral commitment to repay the huge debt that the country owes the former and current workers for their efforts to strengthen the national defense, advance basic science and technology, and promote the energy security of the United States.

I encourage you to explore this pamphlet, find out more by referring to the many information sources cited, share it with your former colleagues, and contact us if you have any questions regarding participation in this important program.



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What is the Former Worker Medical Screening Program?

The Former Worker Medical Screening Program (FWP) is a congressionally mandated activity that was established to check for potential adverse health effects related to occupational exposures such as beryllium, asbestos, silica, welding fumes, lead, cadmium, chromium, and solvents.

FWP was first established in 1994 following the issuance of the 1993 Defense Authorization Act (PL 102-484), which called for the DOE to assist workers with determining whether they had health issues related to their prior work with DOE.

Medical screening efforts were initiated in 1996. The components of the screening examination are based on an individual's work and exposure history. The screening exam may include a physical exam, chest x-ray, breathing test, hearing exam, basic blood work, and urinalysis, as well as specialized blood and urine tests for certain at-risk individuals.

How does DOE Implement the Former Worker Medical Screening Program?

The FWP program is managed, coordinated, and administered by HSS within DOE. The medical screening exams are offered by third-party providers through cooperative agreements with DOE. The screening exams are delivered by a nationwide network of over 10,000 medical clinics. These represent consortia of universities, unions, and commercial organizations with expertise in administration of medical programs.

Screening locations have been established throughout the country to make it convenient for the workers to obtain services close to their residence. This arrangement ensures that workers receive an independent evaluation of their health in relation to their prior workplace exposures by qualified physicians with expertise in occupational medicine.

The unique characteristics of FWP include the sheer size of the program infrastructure, vast nationwide geographic coverage of the program, the large number of potential program participants requiring medical screening, and the program's diverse stakeholders. These challenging factors necessitate DOE instituting robust program management, stringent quality assurance, and proactive performance monitoring of program implementation.



How does DOE Implement the Former Worker Medical Screening Program? (continued)

Towards that end, to ensure effective implementation of FWP, HSS performs several key functions, including:

- Establishing program-wide policies and procedures, including provisions to ensure confidentiality and privacy of program participants;
- Developing program implementation guides, including medical protocols and reporting of results, to ensure consistency on the level, quality, and delivery of services provided;
- Providing program management, fiscal oversight, and performance monitoring of nine separate projects held by consortia of universities, unions, and commercial organizations with expertise in administration of medical programs;
- Securing and establishing the necessary infrastructure to meet the medical screening needs and demands of the program participants in a timely fashion;
- Interfacing and coordinating with a broad spectrum of stakeholders, including worker representatives, labor unions, DOE Institutional Review Boards (IRB), DOE Program Offices, local and State entities and elected officials, and congressional representatives;
- Facilitating communication within and outside of the program to share lessons learned and developments. A key outcome of this process is improved workplace hazard control practices to prevent or reduce negative health effects for current and future workers;
- Publishing and disseminating deidentified program information using the DOE Comprehensive Epidemiologic Data Resource, which is a web-based public-use repository for DOE-sponsored public health and environmental related activities, to allow outside researchers access to FWP data;
- Proactively reaching out to DOE Program Offices to identify former workers and ensure current workers are provided FWP program information as they retire/terminate from the site; and
- Providing support to the DOL and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in regards to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) claim adjudication.



Who is Eligible to Participate in the Former Worker Medical Screening Program?

Any former DOE Federal, contractor, and subcontractor worker who has worked with hazardous substances is encouraged to enroll. Examples of hazardous substances include:

- Asbestos;
- Beryllium;
- Radioactive substances; and
- Metal welding fumes.

Table 1 provides a comprehensive list of hazardous substances, the organs targeted by the hazard, potential health outcomes, and screening tests and followup testing within the FWP medical evaluation protocol.

There are potentially as many as 600,000 former workers believed to have worked within the DOE complex, or for its predecessor Agencies, during the past 60 years, who are eligible to participate in the program.



What are the Benefits of Participation in the Former Worker Medical Screening Program?

FWP offers former DOE workers with the opportunity to obtain an independent, objective assessment of their health in relation to their prior workplace exposures by a physician with expertise in occupational medicine. The exam is free and affords workers the opportunity to be screened for work-related diseases, which if caught early, may be treated.

The screening exam is comprehensive and uniquely designed to provide workers with an evaluation of their health related to potential occupational exposures, as well as a general assessment of their overall health. Workers who participate in the medical screening program are eligible for a rescreening exam 3 years after their initial examination. Participants will be notified by their screening program when they are eligible for a rescreen examination.

The exams are delivered by a nationwide network of over 10,000 medical clinics; therefore, workers can be served in close proximity to where they live. The components of the screening examination include a physical exam, a hearing test, blood and urine tests, and other special tests depending on the individual's work and exposure history. This screening is designed to test for a number of conditions, such as:

- Chronic respiratory diseases;
- Hearing loss;
- Liver and kidney problems; and
- Some forms of cancer.

Exam results, including any incidental findings discovered during the screening exam, that pose a potential concern are reported to the participant through a results letter. The results letter also includes recommendations for further evaluation and followup. Participants may also request a copy of their results be sent to their personal physician. Most participants of FWP have been reassured that they have not experienced any adverse health conditions due to occupational exposures. However, participants with findings that are consistent with a potential occupationally related disease are referred to the DOL for possible compensation under EEOICPA. EEOICPA provides compensation to former workers for illnesses that may be related to their employment at a DOE facility.

DOL's Resource Centers are available around the United States to assist workers with applying for claims under EEOICPA. The 11 resource centers help employees and their families file for benefits under EEOICPA. To view a map of the locations and the regions they service, please visit:

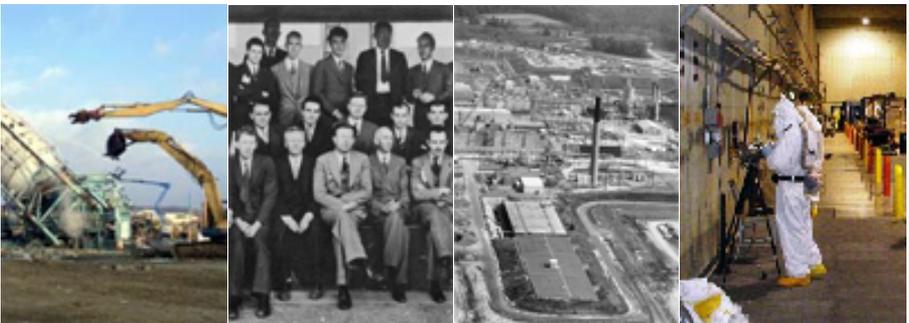
<http://www.dol.gov/esa/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/ResourceMeetings/ResourceCenters.htm>

What are the Benefits of Participation in the Former Worker Medical Screening Program? *(continued)*

You may contact the Resource Center near you through one of the toll-free numbers:

Location	Phone Number
Livermore, California	(866) 606-6302
Westminster, Colorado	(866) 540-4977
Idaho Falls, Idaho	(800) 861-8608
Paducah, Kentucky	(866) 534-0599
Las Vegas, Nevada	(866) 697-0841
Espanola, New Mexico	(866) 272-3622
Amherst, New York	(800) 941-3943
Portsmouth, Ohio	(866) 363-6993
North Augusta, South Carolina	(866) 666-4606
Oak Ridge, Tennessee	(866) 481-0411
Richland, Washington	(888) 654-0014

If you receive a medical screening exam through FWP and a potentially work-related condition is identified, or if you currently believe you have an occupational illness caused by your work at a DOE facility, please contact DOL or one of its Resource Centers.



What Type of Medical Screening is Offered by the Former Worker Medical Screening Program?

The components of the medical screening protocol for FWP include tests targeted to screen for selected adverse health effects specific to the exposures encountered by workers at DOE facilities.

Table 1 provides a list of the hazards, the organs targeted by the hazard, potential health outcomes, screening tests and followup testing within the FWP medical evaluation protocol.

Table 1: Medical Evaluation Protocol

Hazard(s)	Target Organ(s)	Health Outcome(s)	Medical Evaluation	Rescreening through FWP
Asbestos	Lung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Asbestosis ■ Other nonmalignant respiratory disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chest radiograph with B-reading ■ Spirometry ■ Physical examination 	Up to every 3 years
Beryllium	Lung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sensitization ■ Chronic Beryllium Disease (CBD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chest radiograph with B-reading (if symptomatic) ■ Physical examination ■ Beryllium Lymphocyte Proliferation Test (BeLPT), with repeat testing for other than normal results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Up to every 3 years if asymptomatic ■ If new symptoms develop or worker is very concerned in interim, BeLPT can be performed
Plutonium, Lung Deposition of	Lung	Pulmonary Fibrosis	Chest radiograph	Up to every 3 years
Silica	Lung	Silicosis	See Asbestos above	Up to every 3 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Epoxy resins ■ Methylene dianiline ■ Other known bladder carcinogen 	Bladder	Carcinoma	Urine cytology, plus additional biomarker supported by current research. Protocol should be tailored to specific exposure and approved by the DOE review process. ¹	Up to every 3 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ionizing radiation ■ Chemicals (e.g., benzene) 	Hematopoetic	Leukemia or nonmalignant conditions	Complete blood count (CBC) with differential	Up to every 3 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Asbestos ■ Ionizing radiation 	Gastrointestinal system	Carcinoma	Stool for occult blood ²	Up to every 3 years ³
Diesel Exhaust	Lung	Chronic obstructive lung disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Respiratory symptoms questionnaire ■ Spirometry 	Up to every 3 years

Table 1: Medical Evaluation Protocol (*continued*)

Hazard(s)	Target Organ(s)	Health Outcome(s)	Medical Evaluation	Rescreening through FWP
Welding	Lung	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Asthma ■ Chronic obstructive lung disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Respiratory symptoms questionnaire ■ Spirometry 	Up to every 3 years for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
Chromium	Lung	Asthma	Respiratory symptoms questionnaire, plus spirometry, as indicated	No
Formaldehyde	Lung	Asthma	Respiratory symptoms questionnaire, plus spirometry, as indicated	No
Metal Working Fluids	Lung	Asthma	Respiratory symptoms questionnaire, plus spirometry, as indicated	No
Nickel	Lung	Asthma	Respiratory symptoms questionnaire, plus spirometry, as indicated	No
Respiratory irritants	Lung	Chronic obstructive lung disease	Respiratory symptoms questionnaire, plus spirometry, as indicated	Up to every 3 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Radioactive iodine ■ External ionizing radiation 	Thyroid	thyroid disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Physical examination (i.e., palpation of the thyroid) ■ Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) 	Up to every 3 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Solvents ■ Lead ■ Mercury 	Central Nervous System	Chronic neurologic disease	Clinical evaluation	No
Ionizing radiation	Female Breast	Cancer	Recommend mammography by personal physician for women 40 years of age or older ⁴	Recommend mammography by personal physician for women 40 years of age or older ⁵
Carbon tetrachloride and other chlorinated solvents	Liver	Hepatocellular injury and insufficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bilirubin ■ Transaminases 	No
Hydrazine	Liver	Hepatocellular injury	Transaminases	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Cadmium ■ Chromium ■ Lead 	Kidneys	Chronic renal insufficiency	Serum creatinine	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Nickel ■ Chromium ■ Formaldehyde 	Skin	Dermatitis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Skin cancer ■ Cancer of the nasal mucosa 	Physical examination of the skin and nasal mucosa	No

Table 1: Medical Evaluation Protocol (*continued*)

Hazard(s)	Target Organ(s)	Health Outcome(s)	Medical Evaluation	Rescreening through FWP
Ionizing or ultraviolet radiation	Skin	Skin cancer	Physical examination of the skin ⁶	Up to every 3 years ⁷
Noise	Ears	Hearing Impairment	Audiometry	No
Laser, Class 3B and 4	Eyes, Skin	Cataracts, retinal burns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Medical history of the eye and photosensitivity ■ Visual acuity (far and near) for both eyes ■ Amsler and Ishiharra⁸ 	No

¹ When screening for bladder cancer is included, the participant should also receive recommendations for periodic screening. Internal screening will be supported by FWP.

² Recommend in letter that individuals discuss colonoscopy with Personal Physician, per American Cancer Society (ACS) guidelines.

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⁴ Communication to participant should recommend annual screening for women 40 years or age or older.

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⁶ Communication to participant should recommend annual screening with Personal Physician for anyone at high risk for skin cancer.

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⁸ In accordance with ANSI Z136.1 Standard for the Safe Use of Lasers, which states that "Laser eye examinations are performed to identify those laser users which may have a predisposition for vision related injury and to meet the medical monitoring requirements of the standard."



What Type of Medical Screening is Performed to Detect Beryllium Sensitization?

BeLPT is offered to participants who were exposed to beryllium during their work for DOE. BeLPT is a blood test used to detect how an individual's lymphocytes (disease-fighting white blood cells) react to beryllium. If these lymphocytes react to the beryllium in a specific way, the test is considered "abnormal." If they do not react to beryllium, the test is "normal." Experts believe that BeLPT shows "abnormal" results in individuals who have become "sensitized" or "allergic" to beryllium.

At present, it is unclear what this sensitization means. Studies have shown it to be an early sign of CBD in some individuals. In others, sensitization might simply mean that the person was exposed to beryllium and that his or her body has reacted. It might mean that an individual is more likely than others to develop CBD. Employees are being offered BeLPT because doctors believe it is useful in detecting cases of CBD early or cases that might otherwise be missed or diagnosed as another type of lung problem.

At the same time that a blood sample is taken for BeLPT, additional tests may be offered including:

- Chest x-rays;
- Breathing tests called pulmonary function studies; and
- Physical examination.

If you have an abnormal BeLPT, FWP will provide you with information on how to apply to EEOICPA. We encourage you to work with your personal physician to determine followup testing to check for CBD.

Where Can I Receive Medical Screening?

The medical screening is provided by a vast network of resources throughout the country. These groups include major U.S. universities and medical schools, national health care delivery systems, local health care facilities, and major labor unions.

Screening clinics are located in the vicinity of most major DOE sites. In addition, DOE offers access to a large nationwide system of health clinics that are centrally coordinated to serve former workers who no longer live in close proximity to their former site.

Table 2 provides a listing of available resources that can be contacted by former workers to receive medical screening.

Table 2: Listing of Available Medical Screening Providers

State	DOE Site ¹	Worker Population/Medical Screening Program Provider	Local Office Location and Phone
Alaska	Amchitka Island	All workers, primarily construction CPWR – The Center for Construction Research & Training (CPWR) [The Building Trades National Medical Screening Program]	Phone: 1(800) 866-9663
California	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)	All workers Boston University (BU) and University of California at San Francisco (UCSF)	11875 Dublin Blvd., Suite D262 Dublin, CA 94568 Phone: (925) 551-7844 or 1(866) 460-0628
	Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL)	All workers BU and UCSF	11875 Dublin Blvd., Suite D262 Dublin, CA 94568 Phone: (925) 551-7844 1(866) 460-0628
	Sandia National Laboratory (Livermore, CA) (SNL-CA)	All workers BU and UCSF	11875 Dublin Blvd., Suite D262 Dublin, CA 94568 Phone: (925) 551-7844 1(866) 460-0628
Colorado	Rocky Flats	Production workers National Supplemental Screening Program (NSSP) (Screening originally conducted by University of Colorado and National Jewish Medical and Research Center; transitioned to NSSP in December 2006.) NSSP conducted by Oak Ridge Associated Universities.	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
		Construction workers CPWR	Labor's Community Agency, AFL-CIO 7510 W. Mississippi Ave. Suite 230 Lakewood, CO 80226 Dwayne Adkins Phone: (303)744-6169, Ext. 11 or 1(800) 866-9663
Florida	Pinellas	Production workers	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
		NSSP	
		Construction workers CPWR	Phone: 1(800) 866-9663
Idaho	Argonne National Laboratory-West	Production workers United Steelworkers (USW)/Queens College	1055 Austin Ave. Idaho Falls, ID 83404 Phone: (208) 522-4748 or 1(888) 241-1199

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Idaho <i>(continued)</i>	Argonne National Laboratory-West	Construction workers CPWR	456 N. Arthur Ave. Pocatello, ID 83204 Phone: (208) 233-4611 or 1(800) 866-9663
	Idaho National Laboratory	Production workers USW/Queens College	1055 Austin Ave. Idaho Falls, ID 83404 Phone: (208) 522-4748 or 1(888) 241-1199
	Idaho National Laboratory	Construction workers CPWR	456 N. Arthur Ave. Pocatello, ID 83204 Phone: (208) 233-4611 or 1(800) 866-9663
Illinois	Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory	All workers NSSP	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
	Argonne National Laboratory	All workers NSSP	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
Iowa	Iowa Army Ammunition Plant (IAAP)	All workers University of Iowa (U. of IA)	Phone: 1(866) 282-5818
	Ames Laboratory	All workers U. of IA	Phone: 1(866) 282-5818
Kentucky	Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant	Production workers USW/Queens College	2525 Cairo Road Paducah, KY 42001 Phone: (270) 442-3789, (270) 566-4489 or 1(888) 241-1199
		Construction workers CPWR (Screening originally conducted by U. of Cinn.; transitioned to CPWR in 2006)	1930 North 13th Street Paducah, KY 42001 Phone: (270) 443-2850 or 1(800) 464-0009
Missouri	Kansas City Plant	Production workers NSSP	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
		Construction workers CPWR	9404 Grandview Road Kansas City, MO 64132 Phone: (816) 333-3020 or 1(800) 866-9663
	Mallinckrodt & Weldon Spring	Construction workers CPWR	Phone: (208) 233-4611 or 1(800) 866-9663
		Production workers NSSP	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703

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Nevada	Nevada Test Site and Other DOE Locations in Las Vegas	All workers NSSP (Screening originally conducted by BU; transitioned to NSSP in 2007)	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
New Jersey	Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory	All workers NSSP	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
New Mexico	Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)	All workers Johns Hopkins University (JHU)	600 Fairview Lane, Suite F Española, NM 87532 Phone: (505) 753-0193 or 1(877) 500-8615
	Sandia National Laboratory (SNL)	All workers JHU	Phone: 1(877) 500-8615
New York	Brookhaven National Laboratory	Production workers Queens College	Phone: 1(888) 241-1199
	Brookhaven National Laboratory	Construction workers CPWR	150 Motor Parkway Lower Level 1, Ste. 10 Hauppauge, NY 11788 Phone: (631) 813-2725 or 1(800) 866-9663
Ohio	Mound	Production workers USW/Queens College	113 East Central Ave. W. Carrollton, OH 45449 Phone: (937) 866-6802 or 1(877) 866-6802
		Construction workers CPWR	Phone: 1(888) 464-0009
	Fernald	Production workers Fernald Settlement Fund and Queens College	1150 Harrison Ave. Suite 106 Harrison, OH 45030 Phone: (513) 367-1333 or 1(888) 241-1199
		Construction workers CPWR	1550 Chase Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45223 Phone: (513) 681-0864 or 1(800) 866-9663
Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant	Production workers USW/Queens College	USW Local 689 P.O. Box 467 Piketon, Ohio 45661 Phone: (740) 289-2405 or 1(888) 241-1199	

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Ohio (continued)	Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant (continued)	Construction workers CPWR (Screening originally conducted by U. of Cinn.; transitioned to CPWR in 2006)	1236 Gallia Street Portsmouth, OH 45662 Phone: (740) 353-8808 or 1(888) 464-0009
		Construction workers CPWR	Phone: (208) 233-4611 or 1(800) 866-9663
South Carolina	Savannah River Site	Construction workers CPWR	1250 A Reynolds Street Augusta, GA 30901 Phone: (706) 722-7272 or 1(800) 866-9663
		Production workers Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) and University of South Carolina (USC)	Phone: 1(866) 300-9335
Tennessee	Oak Ridge (K-25)	Production workers USW/Queens College	133 Raleigh Road Oak Ridge, TN 37830 Phone: (865) 481-3394 or 3395 or 1(888) 241-1199
		Construction workers CPWR (Screening originally conducted by U. of Cinn.; transitioned to CPWR in 2005)	708 South Illinois Avenue, Suite E101 Oak Ridge, TN 37830 Phone: 1(888) 464-0009 or 1(800) 866-9663
	Oak Ridge (Oak Ridge National Laboratory/Y-12)	Production workers Queens College	109 Viking Road Oak Ridge, TN 37830 Phone: (865) 483-8471 or 8437 or 1(800) 906-2019
		Construction workers CPWR (Screening originally conducted by U. of Cinn.; transitioned to CPWR in 2005)	708 South Illinois Avenue, Suite E101 Oak Ridge, TN 37830 Phone: 1(888) 464-0009 or 1(800) 866-9663
Texas	Pantex	All workers Drexel U. & U. of TX Health Center at Tyler	Phone: 1(888) 378-8939
Washington	Hanford	Production workers NSSP (Screening originally conducted by U. of WA; transitioned to NSSP in 2007)	Phone: 1(866) 812-6703
		Construction workers CPWR	824 West Lewis St Suite 102 Pasco, WA 99301 Phone: (509) 542-9347 or 1(800) 866-9663

¹ Sites listed are primary sites served, but multiple small sites are also served by CPWR for construction workers and by the NSSP for production workers.

How is My Privacy Protected?

DOE is required by the Privacy Act of 1974 as amended at title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) 552a to ensure that individually identifiable information is properly protected when disclosed as a routine use to DOE program award recipients.

The individual programs that hold cooperative agreements with DOE and its contractors are mandated to comply with the Privacy Act and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) rules. All personal information gathered from you for this program will be kept strictly confidential. FWP and the entities that support the program will not release any personal or identifying information about you without your consent, except when required by law.

Other individuals who may require access to your records include:

- Staff or physicians associated with the DOE-funded organizations providing medical screening services to former DOE workers;
- Medical staff at the local health clinic providing medical exams; and
- Medical specialists who provide for additional medical treatment or tests.

Data files without any information that can identify you may be used by the DOE-funded organizations conducting the medical screening or other researchers to better understand the types of risks that you and other workers have been exposed to, or to determine how well this program has met its objectives. Statistical analysis or research using data from this program may be published or presented at scientific meetings, but you will not be identified personally.

In addition to the privacy rights, the rights and welfare of any participant in former worker medical screening or research performed under DOE authorities is of prime importance to the Department. All such activities must comply with Federal regulations and DOE requirements that address the protection of human subjects, including review and approval by applicable Institutional Review Boards (Bioethics/Human Subjects Protection Committees). DOE policy regarding the protection of human subjects is established in the Federal Policy adopted by DOE June 18, 1991, as title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), part 745, "Protection of Human Subjects."

(<http://humansubjects.energy.gov/worker-studies/files/cfrtext.pdf>) and expressed in DOE Policy 443.1A, "Protection of Human Subjects."

(<http://www.directives.doe.gov/pdfs/doe/doetext/neword/443/p4431a.html>).

For more information about DOE Human Subjects Protection Program, please visit: <http://humansubjects.energy.gov>.

Where Can I Receive Additional Information and Assistance?

There are several ways for you to receive additional information and assistance. Specifically, you can directly contact:

- Office of Former Worker Screening Programs, HS-15, Office of Health and Safety, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20585
 - Ms. Mary Fields, FWP Program Manager, mary.fields@hq.doe.gov, (301) 903-1613.
- Medical Screening Providers (points of contact listed in Table 2).
- Web-based resources, provided in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Available Web Resources and Information Sources

Source/Material	Url/Web Address
FWP Web site	http://www.hss.energy.gov/HealthSafety/FWSP/formerworkermed/
2008 FWP Annual Report	http://www.hss.energy.gov/HealthSafety/FWSP/formerworkermed/2008_FWP_Annual_Report.pdf
FWP Medical Protocol	http://www.hss.energy.gov/HealthSafety/FWSP/formerworkermed/Medical_Protocol.pdf
DOL Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program (EEOICP)	http://www.dol.gov/esa/owcp/energy/index.htm
NIOSH Office of Compensation Analysis and Support	http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/ocas/
DOL Office of the Ombudsman for Part E of EEOICPA	http://www.dol.gov/eeombd/
Checklist for Individuals with an Abnormal BeLPT	http://www.hss.energy.gov/HealthSafety/FWSP/formerworkermed/checklist.pdf
Medical Facilities with Experience Evaluating CBD	http://www.hss.energy.gov/HealthSafety/FWSP/formerworkermed/Medical_Facilities.pdf
DOE Human Subjects Protection Program	http://humansubjects.energy.gov/
Beryllium Screening - Informed Choice Document	http://humansubjects.energy.gov/doe-resources/files/guidance-informed-choice-be-test.pdf
CBD Information-National Jewish Health	http://www.nationaljewish.org/healthinfo/conditions/beryllium-disease/index.aspx
Beryllium Information Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE)	http://www.orise.orau.gov/oews/be-studies-testing.htm
DOEBeryllium-Affected Workers Web Resources	http://www.hss.energy.gov/healthsafety/berylliumaffectedworkers/

Table 3: Available Web Resources and Information Sources
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Source/Material	Url/Web Address
Building Trades National Medical Screening Program	http://www.btmed.org/default.cfm
Medical Exam Program for Former Workers at LANL	http://www.jhsph.edu/LANLFW/index.html
Medical Monitoring of Former Workers at the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant	http://www.public-health.uiowa.edu/baecps/
Medical Surveillance for Former DOE Workers at BNL, LLNL, and SNL-CA	http://www.bu.edu/formerworker/
National Supplemental Screening Program	http://www.orau.org/nssp/
Worker Health Protection Program	http://www.worker-health.org/



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