



What You Need To Know About DOL Benefits

If you served as a nuclear energy or uranium worker, you may qualify for significant government benefits through the Department of Labor's EEOICPA and RECA programs. At CNS Cares, we know all the ins and outs of the EEOICPA program so we can advocate on your behalf to help you maximize your benefits over time. In this issue of CareBeat, we're highlighting some of the common misconceptions about the Department of Labor benefit programs:

WHAT WE DO

CNS Cares provides unparalleled home health care to the American Workforce who want to remain:

Independent
Comfortable
Safe
Confident

CNS Cares will support and care for them and their families every step of the way.

WHO WE ARE

Our people are the heart of CNS Cares. We are honored to care for those who have sacrificed their health for their country. Our patients are heroes, and it's our privilege at CNS Cares to treat them as such – to recognize and value their service by providing them and their families:

Honor
Respect
Care
Service

WHO WE HELP

We provide care to the following patient groups:

Uranium Miners, Millers and Transporters
Nuclear Weapons Plant Employees or Contractors
Former Coal Miners
Workers' Compensation Claims
Veterans of the United States Armed Services

MYTH: Another home health care company can guarantee me that my claim will be approved.

REALITY: All home health care companies must follow the Department of Labor application process and standards. No claim is guaranteed to be approved.

MYTH: All home health care companies require an out-of-pocket cost to submit DOL claims.

REALITY: Many but not all home health care companies will require an out-of-pocket fee or submit claims through an authorized representative who will charge a commission. CNS Cares claims support services are provided at 100% no cost.

MYTH: My home health company makes the decision on my compensation amount.

REALITY: Home Health Companies do not make any determinations about compensation, only the Department of Labor can make those decisions. CNS Cares can provide expert claims guidance to help maximize your benefits during your initial claim and as your needs change over time.

MYTH: I'm guaranteed a payout because I worked at a Department of Energy plant.

REALITY: The DOL requires a specific work history accompanied by a diagnosed illness that can be directly linked back to your work exposure in order for you to qualify for benefits.

MYTH: I'm sick and because I worked at the plant, I'm guaranteed benefits.

REALITY: Not all illnesses are covered under the EEOICPA. We can help you determine if you are eligible and support you in preparing your claim.

MYTH: I get a physical at my doctor every 6 months, I don't need a Health Screening for the DOL.

REALITY: Health Screenings are critical in detecting illnesses early and could save your life. They specifically check for job-related illnesses due to exposures from a Department of Energy plant. The health screenings include special exams for workers exposed to beryllium, asbestos, epoxy resins and other chemicals. These are not routine tests at your annual exam.

MYTH: I can file a claim for diabetes, glaucoma, cataracts, and/or hypertension.

REALITY: These diagnoses are only approved by the DOL under certain circumstances. Your CNS Cares claims specialist can review your medical records and let you know if you meet DOL requirements to file on these illnesses.

We Are Here To Help

Our Claims & Department of Labor Benefits Team are EEOICPA experts who have helped thousands of energy workers secure their benefits. If you have questions or want to maximize your DOL benefits, call us at **877-259-9001** or contact us at info@CNSCares.com