

Do I Qualify for EEOICPA Benefits?

The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) provides medical benefits and compensation for workers who became ill due to exposure to radiation, toxic substances, and other hazards while working in the nuclear weapons industry. To determine eligibility, the Department of Labor evaluates several key factors.

Covered Work Sites

To qualify for EEOICPA benefits, you must have worked at a covered Department of Energy facility or related nuclear weapons production site.

These include locations involved in:

- ✓ **Nuclear weapons production**
- ✓ **Uranium mining, milling, drilling or transportation**
- ✓ **Weapons research and testing**

Workers from well-known sites such as Los Alamos, Sandia, Hanford, Oak Ridge, and Idaho National Laboratory may qualify, along with many other locations across the country.

Covered Jobs

EEOICPA covers a wide range of workers who supported nuclear weapons production and related activities, including:



**Department of Energy
employees**



Atomic weapons employees



**Contractor or subcontractor
employees**



**Uranium miners, millers,
drillers, and ore transporters**

Even if your job title was not directly related to nuclear work, you may still qualify if your duties exposed you to hazardous substances at a covered site.

Part B

Covered Illnesses

EEOICPA benefits are available for workers diagnosed with certain illnesses linked to toxic or radiation exposure:

- Many types of cancer
- Chronic Beryllium Disease
- Beryllium sensitivity
- Silicosis
- Other occupational illnesses connected to workplace exposures

Medical documentation is required to support the diagnosis.

Part E

Exposure Evidence

The Department of Labor also evaluates evidence of exposure to hazardous substances while working at a covered site. Supporting documentation may include:

- Employment records
- Job descriptions
- Co-worker statements
- Medical records
- Site exposure data

Your work history and job duties help determine whether the illness is likely connected to workplace exposures.

Special Exposure Cohort (SEC)

Some workers qualify under the Special Exposure Cohort if they worked at certain facilities during specific time periods. If a worker is part of an SEC class and has a qualifying cancer, the claim may be approved without requiring a radiation dose reconstruction.

EEOICPA Qualification Checklist

- ✓ You worked at a covered nuclear weapons facility
- ✓ Your job supported nuclear weapons production or related work
- ✓ You were diagnosed with a covered illness
- ✓ Your work history shows possible exposure to toxic substances or radiation
- ✓ You may qualify under the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC)

Not Sure If You Qualify?

Many workers who qualify don't realize they are eligible for benefits. At CNS Cares we can help review your work history and medical information to determine if you may qualify.

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