

Resources

“What should I do?”

If you think you might have been exposed:

- **Call** 1-888-ASK-HRSA
- **Visit** <http://ruralhealth.hrsa.gov/radiationexposure>
- **Call** the RESEP site closest to where you may have been exposed (see back of pamphlet for a list of RESEP sites)

For information on compensation through RECA

Phone: 1-800-729-7327

Email: civil.reca@usdoj.gov

<http://www.usdoj.gov/civil/torts/const/reca/>

Office of Rural Health Policy

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RESEP Sites

Dixie Regional Medical Center

544 South 400 East
St. George, Utah 84770
Telephone: 435-688-5990

North Country HealthCare

2920 N. 4th Street
Flagstaff, Arizona 86004
Telephone: 928-774-6299

Northern Navajo Medical Center

Navajo Area RESEP
P.O. Box 160
Shiprock, New Mexico 87420
Telephone: 505-368-7014

National Jewish Health

1400 Jackson Street
Denver, Colorado 80206
Telephone: 303-270-2641

University of Nevada School of Medicine

2410 Fire Mesa Street, Suite 180
Las Vegas, Nevada 89128
Telephone: 702-992-6887

University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center

Department of Internal Medicine
MSC 10 5550 1 UNM
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87131
Telephone: 505-272-5880

Utah Navajo Health System, Inc

P.O. Box 130
Montezuma Creek, Utah 84534
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Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program

RESEP

- Education and information
- Screening for cancer and other diseases
- Referrals for medical treatment
- Help with documenting claims under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act



Overview

RESEP

The Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program (RESEP) helps thousands of people harmed by nuclear weapons testing and by employment in the uranium mining industry. RESEP provides funding to:

- Develop public education and information
- Screen for cancer and other related diseases
- Refer people for medical treatment
- Help document claims under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA)

If you meet one of the following categories, you could be eligible for medical screening, referrals, and a RECA payment for \$50,000 - \$100,000!

Radiation Exposure Compensation Act

From 1945 to 1962, several nuclear tests exposed people to radiation. People employed in the uranium mining industry between 1942 and 1971 were also at risk of exposure. When it was discovered that radiation increases risk for certain cancers and respiratory diseases, the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) was established to pay \$50,000—\$100,000 to people with illnesses that may have resulted from radiation exposure.

You may be eligible for **RESEP !**

To be eligible, you must meet the criteria for one of the five following exposure categories:

1) Uranium Miners

Employed in uranium mines located in AZ, CO, ID, ND, NM, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, or WY at any time from 1942 through 1971.

- Exposed to 40 or more working level months (WLMs) of radiation or worked at least 1 year.
- Have primary lung cancer or certain nonmalignant respiratory diseases.

2) Uranium Mill Workers

Employed in uranium mills located in AZ, CO, ID, ND, NM, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, or WY at any time from 1942 through 1971.

- Worked at least 1 year.
- Have primary lung cancer, certain non-malignant respiratory diseases, renal cancer, or other chronic renal disease including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury.

3) Ore Transporters

Employed in the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from mines or mills located in AZ, CO, ID, ND, NM, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, or WY at any time from 1942 through 1971.

- Worked at least 1 year.
- Have primary lung cancer, certain nonmalignant respiratory diseases, renal cancer, or other chronic renal disease including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury.

4) Onsite Participants

Participated onsite in a test involving the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device.

- Present within the boundaries of the Nevada, Pacific, South Atlantic, or Trinity Test Sites during atmospheric nuclear testing and participated in the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device.
- After the onsite participation, contracted leukemia (other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia), lung cancer, multiple myeloma, lymphomas (other than Hodgkin's disease), and primary cancer of the thyroid, male or female breast, esophagus, stomach, pharynx, small intestine, pancreas, bile ducts, gall bladder, salivary gland, urinary bladder, brain, colon, ovary, liver, or lung.

5) Downwinders

Physically present in one of the affected areas downwind of the Nevada Test Site in certain counties of AZ, NV, or UT during a period of atmospheric nuclear testing, and later contracted a specified compensable disease.

- Lived or worked downwind of atmospheric nuclear tests for a period of at least 2 years during parts of 1951-1958 and 1962.
- Have leukemia (other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia), multiple myeloma, lymphomas (other than Hodgkin's disease), and primary cancer of the thyroid, breast, esophagus, stomach, pharynx, small intestine, pancreas, bile ducts, gall bladder, salivary gland, urinary bladder, brain, colon, ovary, liver, or lung.