



Joint Outreach Task Group

U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Energy
and their Former Worker Program, National Institute for Occupational Safety and
Health, and the DOL and NIOSH Offices of the Ombudsman

Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) Information Session

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM • GET ASSISTANCE WITH FILING A CLAIM
GET CASE STATUS UPDATES ON CURRENT CLAIMS AND MEDICAL BILLS

Wednesday, April 10th, 2024

Morris University Center

1026 3rd Street

Portsmouth, OH 45662

9am-11am: Presentations by the Department of Labor (DOL), the DOL Office of the Ombudsman for the EEOICPA, the Department of Energy (DOE), and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

9am-4pm:

Meet with staff to file a new claim or get case status updates on current claims

Employees who worked at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant, or any facility involved in nuclear weapons production, are encouraged to attend!

This program provides **lump-sum compensation and medical benefits to current and former nuclear weapons workers** who developed an occupational illness as a result of exposure to toxic substances at a DOE facility. Survivors of qualified workers may also be eligible to receive compensation. Covered illnesses include but are not limited to radiation-induced cancer, chronic beryllium disease, beryllium sensitivity, chronic silicosis, or any illness due to occupational exposure to toxic substances.

For more information, contact the Portsmouth Resource Center toll-free at 1-866-363-6993 or visit our website: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/energy>



**United States Department of Labor
Office of Workers' Compensation Programs
Division of Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation**

The **Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA)** began on July 31, 2001 with the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) implementation of Part B. Part E implementation began on October 28, 2004.

Part B of the EEOICPA provides lump-sum compensation of \$150,000 and medical benefits to current and former workers who have been diagnosed with cancers, beryllium disease, or chronic silicosis and whose illnesses were caused by exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while working directly for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), its contractors or subcontractors, a designated Atomic Weapons Employer, or a beryllium vendor. Under Part B, compensation of \$50,000 and payment of medical expenses from the date a claim is filed is available to uranium workers (or their survivors) previously awarded benefits by the Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA).

Part E of the EEOICPA provides federal compensation and medical benefits to DOE contractor and subcontractor employees who worked at covered facilities and developed an illness as a result of exposure to toxic substances. Under Part E, monetary compensation of up to \$250,000 per employee may be available for the employee's whole-body impairment and/or wage loss due to an accepted condition.

Under the EEOICPA, if the employee is no longer living, survivors of qualified workers may also be entitled to benefits.

Contact a DEEOIC Resource Center

DOL established 11 Resource Centers nationwide to assist workers and their families apply for benefits under the EEOICPA. The Resource Center staff provides valuable information about the claims process to claimants and assists claimants in completing the necessary forms to file an EEOICPA claim. The Resource Center staff can provide assistance either in-person or over the telephone, and thus is able to assist individuals who are outside the immediate geographical area. You can find the complete list of Resource Centers, including regional jurisdictions, contact information, and toll-free numbers at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/owcp/energy> or call toll-free at (866) 888-3322. The DEEOIC Resource Center to contact in your area is:

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Greetings,

You are receiving this information because we believe some of your stakeholders may be unaware that they are potentially eligible to receive benefits under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA).

Enacted in October 2000, EEOICPA provides compensation and medical benefits to eligible current and former workers at DOE facilities who became ill as a result of exposure to radiation and/or other toxic substances.

- Part B of the EEOICPA compensates current or former employees (or their survivors) of the Department of Energy (DOE), its predecessor agencies, and certain of its vendors, contractors and subcontractors, who were diagnosed with a radiogenic cancer, chronic beryllium disease, beryllium sensitivity, or chronic silicosis, as a result of exposure to radiation, beryllium, or silica while employed at covered facilities. The EEOICPA also provides compensation to individuals (or their eligible survivors) awarded benefits by the Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA).
- Part E of the EEOICPA compensates DOE contractor and subcontractor employees, eligible survivors of such employees, and uranium miners, millers, and ore transporters as defined by RECA Section 5, for any occupational illnesses that are causally linked to toxic exposures in the DOE or mining work environment.

Eligible individuals may receive up to \$400,000 in compensation, in addition to lifetime medical benefits for accepted conditions. Medical benefits may include home and residential health care services that are not typically covered by Medicare. You can find more information about the EEOICPA on our website (www.dol.gov/owcp/energy).

We would like to request that your organization distribute information about this important program to your stakeholders. In addition to the information included in this package, a [Social Media Toolkit](#) designed to assist organizations distributing information on websites and/or social media platforms is also available on our website underneath Program Guidance & Resources on our homepage.

For additional information about the EEOICPA, or if one of your stakeholders would like to schedule an appointment for claim-filing assistance, please contact the Portsmouth Resource Center toll-free at (866) 363-6993.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel D. Pond".

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