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WORKER HEALTH PROTECTION PROGRAM

Call today for your free medical exam or for more information

1-888-241-1199

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or complete the attached perforated card and mark the box stating that you are interested.



"I procrastinated taking the physical for two years. As a result of the physical, I was diagnosed with chronic beryllium disease. I am so thankful that WHPP was there and I'll recommend this program to anyone. It could save your life."

- Garry Sexton

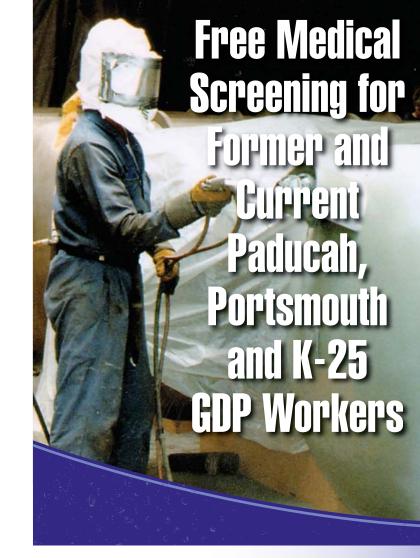


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Low-Dose CT Scan for Early Lung Cancer Detection May Also be Available to Eligible Participants





The Worker Health Protection Program is a joint venture between the United Steelworkers and Queens College of the City University of New York





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The Worker Health Protection Program is a medical screening program implemented by the United Steelworkers and Queens College of the City University of New York, through funds provided by the US Department of Energy.

A Free Medical Screening Program for Hourly and Salaried Department of Energy Gaseous Diffusion Plant Workers.



As a current or former Department of Energy (DOE) site worker, you may have been exposed to radiation and toxic substances, such as asbestos and beryllium. Even if you did not handle toxic substances directly, you may be at an elevated risk for occupational illness.

As an hourly or salaried employee at a DOE facility, you are entitled to a free medical screening from the Worker Health Protection Program (WHPP) once every three years if you were employed at the Paducah, Portsmouth or K-25 gaseous diffusion plants (GDP) for at least 30 days (excluding building trades members).

Doctors trained in occupational medicine test for work-related illnesses that other physicians may overlook.

The purpose of the medical screening is to detect work-related illnesses as early as possible, when medical treatment may be more effective. A doctor at a local clinic will take your occupational and medical history and give you a complete physical exam, a chest X-ray, hearing and breathing tests and blood work, including a beryllium blood test (BeLPT) that detects beryllium sensitivity. Doctors will look for work-related illnesses, including:

- Asbestosis
- Chronic beryllium disease
- Emphysema

- Hearing loss
- Silicosis
- Some cancers

After your local medical examination is completed, independent occupational health physicians, located at Queens College of the City University of New York, will review the exam. You will be provided with a written results letter advising you of any abnormalities and recommending follow-up care when appropriate. These result letters may help with Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) or state workers' compensation claims. None of the doctors in the WHPP program are employed by or affiliated with the DOE or its contractors. They work in cooperation with the United Steelworkers International (formerly PACE/OCAW). Your medical information will remain **confidential**.

Even if you feel healthy, you should participate in the WHPP medical screening program.

You may not have noticeable symptoms if an illness is in an early stage. Even if you are not feeling sick, the WHPP screening may identify work-related health problems, for which early medical intervention can make a difference. There is also a general wellness component of the exam to test for non-occupationally related conditions such as elevated cholesterol and high blood pressure. While important for your overall health, these conditions are not compensable.

Participants are eligible for repeat medical examinations every three years.

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Early detection of lung cancer with low-dose CT scans.

Participants may also be eligible for lung cancer screening with low-dose CT scans. The goal of the CT scan is to detect lung cancer in an early stage, when treatment is more likely to be effective. Eligibility for the low-dose CT scan is based on age, occupational exposure and smoking history. As of September 2011, over 10,000 former and current DOE workers have received CT scans through WHPP. To date, WHPP has detected 70 lung cancers, with the majority (73%) found in early stages.

Lung cancer is the **number one** cause of cancer death for both men and women.

About 160,000 people in the United States will die of lung cancer each year.

Early detection of lung cancer saves lives.

In a landmark study published in the New England Journal of Medicine in 2011, the National Cancer Institute concluded that the use of low-dose CT scan reduces death from lung cancer. The study followed over 53,000 current and former smokers and showed a 20% reduction in lung cancer mortality through CT scanning as compared to chest X-rays. Although smoking causes most lung cancers, many GDP workers have been exposed to known lung cancer causing agents such as asbestos, uranium, plutonium and beryllium.

"I had a CT scan and it came back showing that I had cancer in the right lobe of my lung. If not for your program, I would not have known until the cancer was well developed. I was told by my doctor that the early detection most probably saved my life. For this, I am truly thankful to you and the program. Please keep up the good work."

— Norval B. Hockman,

Former K-25 GDP worker



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Over 21,000 workers have been screened nationally by WHPP through September 2011