# What conditions are covered by the Program?

The World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program provides medically necessary monitoring and treatment for WTC-related conditions. The Program also covers medically associated conditions, which are conditions that result from the treatment or progression of a certified condition.

### **Covered Condition Categories:**



**Acute and Traumatic Injuries** 



**Airway and Digestive Disorders** 



**Cancers** 



**Mental Health Conditions** 



**Musculoskeletal Disorders** 

Please note: To be covered by the Program, a condition must be certified by the WTC Health Program and treated through a WTC-affiliated provider. Certification is an official decision by the Program that your condition is related to your 9/11 exposure and meets Program certification policies and criteria.

See the next page for examples of covered conditions in these categories.





## **Examples of Covered Conditions**



#### **Acute Traumatic Injuries**

Acute traumatic injuries are characterized by physical damage to your body caused by hazards or adverse conditions. **Examples include:** 

Burn Fracture Other

Complex sprain Head trauma
Eye injury Tendon tear



#### **Airway and Digestive Disorders**

Airway and digestive disorders, also known as Aerodigestive Disorders, are a group of disorders that affect breathing airways, such as your sinuses or lungs, or upper digestive tract, such as your esophagus.

#### **Examples include:**

Asthma

Chronic cough syndrome

Chronic laryngitis
Chronic nasopharyngitis

Chronic respiratory disorder- fumes and

Chronic rhinosinusitis

Gastroesophageal reflux disorder (GERD)

Interstitial lung disease

New-onset and WTC-exacerbated chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)

Reactive airway dysfunction syndrome (RADS)

Sleep apnea (medically associated to another airway or digestive disorder)

Upper airways hyperreactivity



#### **Cancers**

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Cancer may be defined as the uncontrolled growth and spread of cells. It may occur at any place in the body, and it makes it difficult for the body to function normally. **Examples include:** 

Blood and lymphoid tissue (including lymphoma, myeloma, and leukemia)

Breast

Childhood cancers

Digestive system (including colon and rectum)

Eye and orbit

Ovary

Head and neck (oropharynx and tonsil)

Prostate

Mesothelioma

Rare cancers

Respiratory system (including lung and

bronchus)

Skin (melanoma, non-melanoma and carcinoma in situ)

Soft and connective tissue

Thyroid

Urinary system (including kidney and

bladder)

Uterine



#### **Mental Health Conditions**

Mental health conditions include a wide range of conditions that affect your mood, thinking, and behavior. **Examples include:** 

Acute stress disorder

Adjustment disorder

Anxiety disorders

Dysthymic disorder

Generalized anxiety disorder

Major depressive disorder

Depression Panic disorder

Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)

Substance use disorder



#### Musculoskeletal Disorders (applies to WTC responders only)

Musculoskeletal disorders are chronic or recurring disorders of the musculoskeletal system caused by heavy lifting or repetitive strain on the joints. **Examples include:** 

Carpal tunnel syndrome (CTS) Low back pain Other musculoskeletal disorders



