9.11 World Trade Center Health Program



9/11 Health Information for Health Care Providers

The World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program is a limited federal health care program for eligible 9/11 responders and survivors established by the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010.

Is your patient eligible for the World Trade Center Health Program?

Your patient may be eligible if they:

- · Were in the NYC Disaster Area on 9/11 or in the days, weeks, and months after; or
- Were a responder at the WTC and WTC-related sites, the Pentagon, or the crash site in Shanksville. PA.

If your patient meets the criteria above, they may have been exposed to toxins, dust, debris or conditions that could cause or contribute to health conditions such as respiratory diseases, mental health conditions like post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), musculoskeletal disorders, acute traumatic injuries, and cancer. For more information on covered conditions, visit www.cdc.gov/wtc/conditions.html.

If your patient was exposed, what should you look for?

Be sure to screen for covered conditions and watch for symptoms such as:

- persistent cough or wheezing
- constant runny or stuffy nose
- chronic heartburn or acid reflux
- trouble sleeping, anxiety, or depression

Patients who were exposed and are either showing symptoms or diagnosed with a covered condition should visit the WTC Health Program website at **www.cdc.gov/wtc/apply.html** to see eligibility criteria and how to apply.

Please note: To be covered by the Program, a condition must be certified by the WTC Health Program and treated through a WTC Health Program Participating Provider. The Program does not replace primary health insurance. Patients are encouraged to continue seeing their regular physician for all non-WTC-related care.

What does the WTC Health Program provide?

Specialized care for certified WTC-related health conditions is provided at no out-of-pocket cost to members. The Program also provides thousands of members with benefits such as monitoring exams, screenings and opportunities to participate in research.

Need additional resources or have questions?

You or your patient may call us at **1-888-982-4748**. We're happy to answer questions about eligibility, covered conditions, or how to apply.

To read more about the resources available for health care providers including how to be added to our provider network, visit our website at **www.cdc.gov/wtc/providers.html** or scan the QR code.

