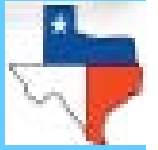




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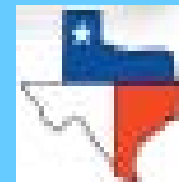
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Project Partners (1.5 FTE)

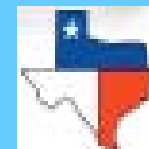
- Drexel University: Dr. Frank
- UTHCT: Karen Gilmore,, Sara Shepherd, Barbara Pinson, M.D., MS
- West Texas A&M Partners Clinic
- Pantex Site (BWXT)
- Local office closed 11/30/07

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Screening Program

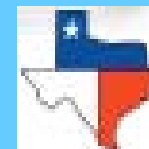
- Began February 2005
- Letters inviting participation have been mailed to 3944 former workers
- 1594 have responded
 - 161 Declined participation
 - 467 Have been screened
- Re-screens: None to date

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Findings -1

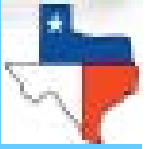
- Chest X-rays: 462
 - Pleural Abnormalities: 5
 - Parenchymal Abnormalities: 9
 - Both Pleural and Parenchymal: 7
 - Suspicious Node, Nodule, or Lesion: 15
 - Other Chest Abnormalities: 148

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Findings - 2

Be Analysis: 439

- Normal: 416
- Abnormal: 6
- Borderline: 2
- Uninterpretable: 15

• PFT: 457

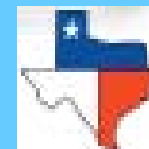
- Obstructive: 86
- Restrictive Pattern: 52
- Mixed Pattern: 32

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Results Letters

Any Follow-up Recommended: 281

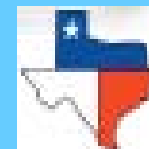
Findings indicate support for compensation claim: 89

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Outreach - What Hasn't Worked

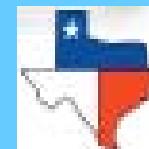
- Trying to find “Lost to Follow-up” without the benefit of SSN
- Obtaining referrals from local physicians
- Working with the VA Hospital/clinics

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Outreach-What Works

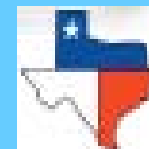
- Letters to newly separated PFW's, list provided by Pantex
- Project materials available at the plant
- Be screening list from ORAU (with SSN)

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PFW Ambassadors

Select group of former workers invited

- Participated in screening
- Rated experience very positively
- Responded to invitation to volunteer
- 12 attended organizing meeting
- 4 have been actively involved with appointment scheduling

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Ambassador's Role

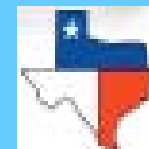
- Distribute informational fliers
- Call former workers to assess interest in participating
- Assist with completing program questionnaires

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Dedicated Clinic Screening

- 2 1/2 days November 12 - 14
- Ambassadors made phone calls to assess interest
- 32 appointments scheduled, 26 screened
- 6 future appointments and rescheduled

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