

Workers Compensation for Beryllium Sensitivities

AdvanceMed Hanford (AMH) Beryllium Surveillance Program

Phone: (509)376-6000

AMH provides testing to determine beryllium abnormalities or sensitivity for current Hanford workers

Testing

+ One positive

- Qualifies for AMH surveillance program
- Qualifies for DOL/EEOICPA

+ + Two positive

- Qualifies for AMH surveillance program
- Qualifies for DOL/EEOICPA
- Qualifies for Washington State Labor & Industries workers' compensation claim

Benefits offered by AMH

NOTE: If the individual has an accepted workers' compensation claim, benefits must be processed through Penser.

- Schedules a National Jewish visit for additional testing
- Pays for National Jewish medical costs if there is not an accepted L&I or DOL claim
- Facilitates a retest every 1-3 years at National Jewish
- Does not cover medical other than approved medical provider

Benefits offered by DOE Hanford facility management contractor and it's teaming partners for diagnostic referrals

- Current Hanford workers only
 - Paid regular wages
 - Associated travel
 - Per diem
 - Companion travel (if determined to be necessary)
- Companion Associated Travel
 - Per diem
 - Wage loss if current Hanford employee of a prime or teaming sub

Once Chronic Beryllium Disease (CBD) is certified by a Physician

- Medical surveillance at AMH continues for current Hanford workers
- Continued screening at National Jewish is not paid through the AMH contract
- Treatment for accepted DOL/EEOICPA* and Washington State Labor & Industries workers' compensation claims will be paid through the appropriate agency

Washington State Labor & Industries (L&I) Workers' Compensation

The L&I laws allow you to file a workers' compensation claim at any time however, injuries must be reported within one (1) year of the date of accident.

Occupational diseases must be reported within two (2) years after receiving written notice from a doctor that the condition exists and is work related.

- L&I website is available for help
Website: www.lni.wa.gov
- Penser North America, Inc. (PENSER)
Phone: (509) 420-7290

To file for compensation and medical under DOE's Self-Insurance worker's Compensation

- Must have employment history with a contractor covered by DOE's Self-Insurance (if not can file directly with L&I)
- File claim with PENSER or contact current benefits office if current employee
- Widow/widower can file a claim
- AMH diagnostic testing can be used as supporting medical with a physicians proof of sensitization

Testing

+ + Two positive = Sensitization

- Sensitization Qualifies for Washington State Labor & Industries workers' compensation claim

- Physician must diagnosis Chronic Beryllium Disease

Benefits offered by L&I/PENSER

- Pays for surveillance exams based medical
- Loss of wages, if a current employee
- Travel

- Associated travel transportation
- Per diem
- Companion travel (if determined necessary by attending physician)

- Wage loss if current Hanford employee of a prime or teaming sub
 - Associated travel
 - Per diem

Benefits offered by L&I/PENSER

- Pays for treatment and exams based on medical
- Loss of wages, if a current employee
- Travel

- Associated travel transportation
- Per diem
- Companion travel (if determined necessary by attending physician)

- Wage loss if current Hanford employee of a prime or teaming sub
 - Associated travel
 - Per diem

- Vocational Counseling
- Pension