

# Appendix D

## Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP)

The Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) is a Federal program that provides benefits for serious injuries that occur as a result of the administration or use of a covered countermeasure. Countermeasures are vaccines, antivirals, drugs, biologics, or medical devices used to diagnose, prevent, or treat, a declared pandemic, epidemic, or security threat. The Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) declares specific countermeasures under CICP.

This Program was established by the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act of 2005 (PREP Act), 42 U.S.C. § 247d-6e. The PREP Act also confers broad liability protections covering the manufacture, testing, development, distribution, or use of the designated covered countermeasure.

Some examples of covered public health threats are:

- COVID-19
- Ebola
- Pandemic Influenza A
- Smallpox
- Anthrax.

### Who is eligible?

The following may be eligible:

- The injured countermeasure recipient
- Certain survivor(s) of a deceased injured countermeasure recipient
- The estate of a deceased injured countermeasure recipient

### How can a claim be filed?

Individuals have one year from the date the vaccine or other covered countermeasure was administered or used to request compensation benefits. If their injury is added to a Countermeasures Injury Table, then they may also have one year from the effective date of the Table addition to file. To file a claim, individuals must submit a Request for Benefits Form and the Authorization for Use or Disclosure of Health Information Form to request medical records from each health care provider who treated the injured person. In addition, medical records from one year before the injury to the present time must be submitted.

For more detailed instructions, visit the CICP website at <https://www.hrsa.gov/cicp/filing-benefits>.

Eligible individuals may be compensated for certain reasonable and necessary medical expenses and for lost employment income at the time of the injury. Death benefits may be paid to certain survivors of covered countermeasures recipients who have died as a direct result of the covered countermeasure injury. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is the payer of last resort. Therefore, payments are reduced by those of other third-party payers.

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