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
- Complex sprain
- Eye injury
- Fracture
- Head trauma
- 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 vapors
- 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**
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)

**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
- Depression
- Dysthymic disorder
- Generalized anxiety disorder
- Major depressive disorder
- 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

Learn More. Visit www.cdc.gov/wtc/conditions.html or scan the QR code using your mobile device.