

Uranium Miners and Workers Encouraged to Sign up for Free, Confidential Lung Disease Screening

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Miners Clinic Brings Medical Experts from National Jewish Health to Wyoming

The National Jewish Health Miners Clinic will offer free lung health screenings to former uranium industry workers in partnership with the Wyoming Medical Center in Casper on July 26 and 27. Lung specialists at National Jewish Health have been caring for miners and uranium industry workers for more than 25 years.

In Wyoming, the Miners Clinic screens uranium miners, millers, and ore transporters who worked in the uranium industry before 1972. These uranium industry workers are at risk for lung scarring (silicosis) and for lung cancer as a result of their work exposure. Uranium mill workers and ore transporters are also at risk for kidney cancer and chronic kidney diseases. For many of these illnesses, early diagnosis and medical care can improve quality of life and long-term survival.

This free screening program is staffed by lung specialists and certified spirometry technicians. Miners Clinic benefits counselors will review test results to determine if patients are eligible to file for federally-funded radiation exposure benefits, and will assist eligible participants with this process.

To schedule an appointment for a free medical screening, call 1.877.255.LUNG(5864).

National Jewish Health is known worldwide for treatment of patients with respiratory, cardiac, immune and related disorders, and for groundbreaking medical research. Founded in 1899 as a nonprofit hospital, National Jewish Health remains the only facility in the world dedicated exclusively to these disorders. Since 1998, U.S. News & World Report has ranked National Jewish Health the number one respiratory hospital in the nation.

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