

World Trade Center Health Program & September 11th Victim Compensation Fund

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World Trade Center Health Program Overview and Update

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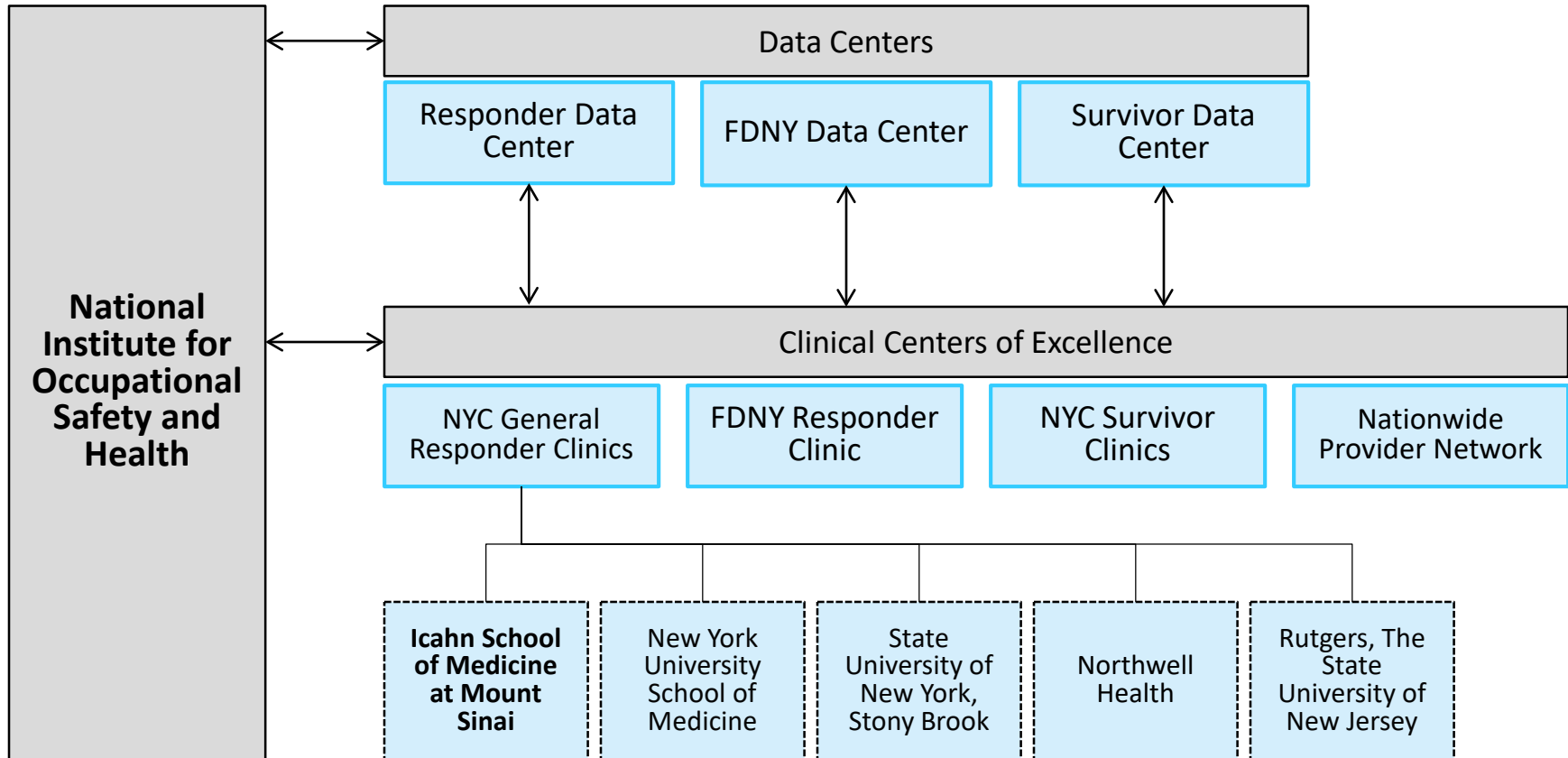
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World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program

James Zadroga Act:

- 2010-2011: Congress passed the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010, establishing the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program.
- The WTC Health Program reauthorized for 75 years, ending in 2090.
- The WTC Health Program is overseen by NIOSH (National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health) offers high quality, comprehensive care to those directly impacted by the September 11, 2001 including 9/11 workers and volunteers (responders) and individuals who lived, worked and/or went to school in the area (survivors).

WTC Health Program Structure



Services Provided to Responders

Annual Medical Monitoring Exam

- The purpose of this exam is to monitor the health of responders and gather data to target any conditions potentially related to their 9/11 exposure.
- The medical monitoring exam is a comprehensive examination offered annually to responders.

Services Provided to Responders

Medical and Mental Health Treatment

- Focused on the diagnosis, treatment and management of WTC-related medical and mental health conditions.
 - Prescription medication
 - Order diagnostic testing
 - Initiate referrals to specialists when needed
 - Identify relation or association to exposure
 - Certify WTC conditions

Services Provided to Responders

Cancer Screenings

- The WTC Health Program includes screening for lung, colon and breast cancers.
- Cancer screenings include diagnostic services consistent with the U.S. preventative task force guidelines.

What We've done in Response to COVID-19

Expanded Use of Telehealth

- The Program has approved telehealth services (telephone, video) but services offered may vary by clinic.
- Telehealth allows several WTC members to follow up on their care from home and continue to monitor health conditions related to their 9/11 exposure with a WTC provider.

In-Person Visits

- WTC Health Program clinic sites continue to offer both telehealth and in-person visits.
- In-person examinations are offered with appropriate social distancing and other appropriate precautions such as masking.

COVID Vaccines

- All members looking to receive the vaccine should seek it through their state or local health department.
- If you are eligible to receive the vaccine, identify where you can get vaccinated and follow the location's instructions for scheduling an appointment.
- Review documentation required such as presenting a drivers license to confirm your age.

If your WTC-related health condition matches the requirements for vaccine eligibility, your certification letter may be used as documentation.

WTC Health Program Data

Overall Enrollment

As Of
12/31/2020

Enrollment Category	Grandfathered	New Enrollees*	Total Enrollment	% Growth since 7/1/2011
Total	60,929	47,566	108,495	78.07%
General Responders	39,362	23,762	63,124	60.37%
FDNY Responders	16,821	201	17,022	1.19%
Survivors	4,746	23,603	28,349	497.32%

Nationwide Provider Network Enrollment

This is a subset of the numbers above and includes 879 Pentagon responders and 78 Shanksville responders.

Enrollment Category	Grandfathered	New Enrollees*	Total Enrollment	% Growth since 7/1/2011
Total	7,289	15,709	22,998	215.52%
General Responders	6,766	6,786	13,552	
FDNY Responders	336	44	380	
Survivors	187	8,879	9,066	

*Includes 412 of 778 eligible survivor re-enrollees. Survivor reenrollment ceased on 1/1/16 because sufficient time had been allowed for such reenrollments to occur.

Members with Certifications by Zadroga Act Categories of Conditions

Category	Responders	Survivors	Combined
Aerodigestive	36,731	10,485	47,216
Cancer	13,278	7,931	21,209
Mental Health	13,196	5,688	18,884
Musculoskeletal	556	35	591
Total Number of Certified Members*	44,822	16,963	61,785

The figures are based on the number of members certified for each Zadroga Act condition category. Given that there are sometimes multiple certifications for one member within the same Zadroga Act condition category, the slide counts the member only once.

*The Total Number of Certified Members figures represent the specific number of members certified. Given that a member can be certified for multiple condition categories, the row counts the member only once. It is not a tally of the chart above the row.

All Certified Conditions – Member Counts

As Of
12/31/2020

Condition	Responders	Survivors	Combined
Chronic Rhinosinusitis	26,559	5,783	32,342
Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)	24,138	4,839	28,977
Cancers	13,278	7,931	21,209
Asthma	13,082	4,710	17,792
Sleep Apnea	13,999	1,294	15,293
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	8,491	3,438	11,929
Chronic Respiratory Disorder - Fumes / Vapors	7,463	1,177	8,640
WTC-Exacerbated Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)	3,205	774	3,979
Anxiety Disorder (not otherwise specified)	2,501	903	3,404
Major Depressive Disorder	2,436	798	3,234
Depression (not otherwise specified)	2,359	517	2,876
Adjustment Disorder	1,476	975	2,451
Chronic Laryngitis	1,611	50	1,661
Interstitial Lung Diseases	1,121	464	1,585
Substance Abuse	1,278	282	1,560
Generalized Anxiety Disorder	980	229	1,209
Chronic Nasopharyngitis	730	92	822
Panic Disorder	457	129	586
Other Musculoskeletal Disorder	526	35	561
Dysthymic Disorder	275	276	551
Upper Airway Hyperreactivity	414	89	503
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	52	N/A	52
Low Back Pain	18	<10	19-27

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N/A stands for Not Applicable.

WTC Health Program COVID-19 Tracking

As Of
1/29/2021

	Responders	Survivors	Total
Confirmed Cases	3,005	407	3,412
Hospitalization	260	58	318
Deaths	35	25	60

The WTC Health Program has been tracking cases, hospitalizations and deaths each week since April 10, 2020.

Importance of the Monitoring Exam

Every time you complete an annual medical monitoring exam, WTC Health Program providers become better equipped to predict, diagnose, and treat health concerns experienced by many 9/11 responders across the country.

Eligibility and Enrollment

Eligibility Criteria

Activity	Location	Time Period	Minimum Hour Requirements
Worked or volunteered onsite in rescue, recovery, debris cleanup, or related support services	May fulfill time period and Minimum Hour Requirements at any of the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Lower Manhattan (south of Canal Street), or •the Staten Island Landfill, or •Certain Barge Loading Piers 	September 11, 2001 to September 14, 2001	4 hours
		September 11, 2001 to September 30, 2001	24 hours
		September 11, 2001 to July 31, 2002	80 hours

Enrollment

If you think you are eligible, what's next next?

1. Visit www.cdc.gov/wtc and click on the “Find out How to Apply” button.
2. Review the eligibility criteria
3. Read the information about what supporting documents you need to complete your application.
4. Complete your application.
 - You can either print and mail/fax in your application with supporting documentation or you can apply online.
 - If you apply online you still are required to mail or fax your supporting documents or your application will not be considered complete.

For more information

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