

CAMP LEJEUNE: PAST WATER CONTAMINATION

From the 1950s through the 1980s, people serving or living at the U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, were potentially exposed to drinking water contaminated with industrial solvents, benzene, and other chemicals. This chemical exposure may have led to adverse health conditions.

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR VA HEALTH BENEFITS IF YOU SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY (VETERANS) OR RESIDED (FAMILY MEMBERS) AT CAMP LEJEUNE FOR 30 DAYS OR MORE BETWEEN AUGUST 1, 1953 AND DECEMBER 31, 1987:

- Veterans who are determined to be eligible will be able to receive VA health care. In addition, care for qualifying health conditions is provided at no cost to the Veteran.
- Eligible family members will receive reimbursement for out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred from the treatment of qualifying health conditions, after all other health insurance plans are applied.

QUALIFYING HEALTH CONDITIONS INCLUDE:

- Bladder cancer
- Breast cancer
- Esophageal cancer
- Female infertility
- Hepatic steatosis
- Kidney cancer
- Leukemia
- Lung cancer
- Miscarriage
- Multiple myeloma

- Myelodysplastic syndromes
- Neurobehavioral effects
- Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Renal toxicity
- Scleroderma

VETERAN ELIGIBILITY:

 A Camp Lejeune Veteran does not need to have one of the 15 health conditions or a service connected disability to be eligible for VA health care. The Veteran must have served on active duty and have an other than dishonorable discharge.

VETERANS

ENROLL IN VA HEALTH CARE

- Inform VA that you served on active duty at Camp Lejeune for at least 30 days between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987.
- Already enrolled? Contact your local VA health care facility at http://www.va.gov/ directory/guide/ to sign up for the Camp Lejeune Program and receive VA care.
- Not yet enrolled? Apply online at www.va.gov/health-care/how-to-apply/ or call toll-free 1-877-222-8387.

FAMILY MEMBERS

GATHER DOCUMENTS

- Show your relationship to the Veteran, such as a marriage or birth certificate.
- VA will assist you with verifying your residency at Camp Lejeune between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987.

GATHER QUALIFYING EXPENSE RECEIPTS

 By law, VA may only compensate for eligible out- of-pocket expenses after family members have received payment from all other health plans.

APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT

 Apply online at https://www.clfamilymembers.fsc.va.gov or call toll-free 1- 866-372-1144.