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Have you or loved one been diagnosed with mesothelioma or asbestos-related cancer?*

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Asbestos Exposure

Exposure to asbestos is not uncommon because of the widespread use of the material in building construction, at industrial jobsites and in manufactured products, particularly over the past century. Frequent and prolonged asbestos exposure however poses a potential health hazard even if your symptoms take years to develop. Asbestos is a known human carcinogen – a substance that causes cancer. Breathing in asbestos fibers or dust released into the air when the material is damaged or disturbed increases your risk of mesothelioma, a rare asbestos exposure cancer, as well as lung cancer.

Asbestos Exposure and Lung Cancer

When you disturb materials containing asbestos, they can release their tiny fibers and dust into the air, which you breathe into your lungs. Occasional low-level exposure to asbestos appears to present no health risk. However, continuous exposure to high levels of asbestos over many years does.

Because of their nearly indestructible nature, asbestos fibers can remain embedded in your lungs for a long time before you develop asbestos exposure symptoms. Ultimately, these embedded fibers can result in an asbestos lung disease, including the emphysema-like disorder called asbestosis, the rare cancer Mesothelioma, and asbestos-induced lung cancer.

Occupations at Risk for Asbestos Exposure

At some point in your life, you will be exposed to asbestos because low levels of the material exist in the atmosphere. However, the low degree of exposure means your risk of developing an asbestos-related illness is minimal. This is not the case if your occupation involves frequent or prolonged contact with the material – and many do. Then your risk is high and can lead to lung cancer, mesothelioma, a rare and deadly form of cancer, or asbestosis, a non-malignant progressive lung disease.

Occupations at High Risk for Asbestos

Even though asbestos use has been strictly regulated since the late 1970s, there still are many products that contain the substance and jobsites where the material is present. As an example, in the last century nearly every building constructed used materials that contained asbestos. As a result, if you are in the construction or building trade, you are in an occupation considered very high risk for asbestos lung disease and cancer. You may not even know you are working with materials that put you at risk. If you are an auto mechanic or work in automotive production, you face a potential risk of asbestos exposure from brake linings and clutch pads. If you are a plumber or pipe fitter, you need to be concerned about asbestos that may be in pipe materials. Even if your high-risk occupation ended years ago, you may have an asbestos exposure cancer or lung disease.

Other high-risk occupations because of the presence of asbestos in factories or jobsites are:

- Demolition engineers
- Maintenance worker
- Railroad industry workers
- Electricians
- Steel and iron workers
- Shipbuilding and sailors
- Firefighters

Because new school construction during the 1960s and 1970s used asbestos extensively, if you are a teacher or school custodian, you also are in one of the occupations considered high risk. Keep in mind too that your family members may be at risk from secondary exposure to asbestos. You can bring asbestos fibers into your home from your workplace on your clothing and hair.

Asbestos Exposure Symptoms

If you work or have worked in one of the asbestos high-risk occupations, you should check with your physician for signs of asbestos lung disease or cancer. Asbestos exposure symptoms include shortness of breath, difficulty breathing or abdominal or chest pains.

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