



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The City of New York

Bureau of Health Services

WORLD TRADE CENTER MEDICAL MONITORING PROGRAM

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Dear FDNY Retired Member:

The Bureau of Health Services (BHS) and your Union invite you to participate in the enhanced BHS World Trade Center Medical Monitoring Program, funded by a grant from the National Institute of Occupational Safety & Health (NIOSH). Specialized treatment, when needed, is also available through the September 11th Recovery Grant of the American Red Cross Liberty Disaster Relief Fund.

This BHS program, jointly developed by BHS, NIOSH, and the Mt. Sinai Consortium, and **co-designed with the UFA, UFOA, and EMS Locals 2507 and 3621**, includes a four-hour comprehensive medical, together with follow-up testing and treatment at **no cost to you**. The BHS WTC Medical Monitoring Program provides you with needed medical follow-up and offers you health surveillance in compliance with recent NYS legislation recognizing the delayed medical outcomes for 9/11 exposures in retirees and active members.

Who is eligible? All FDNY Firefighters, EMTs, Paramedics and Officers (**active & retired**) who participated in the WTC rescue and recovery effort, even members who did not receive our original BHS WTC Medical.

What services will you receive? BHS will evaluate and diagnose disease to provide early detection and treatment. The NIOSH grant provides at **no cost** to you:

- A comprehensive medical including an electrocardiogram, chest imaging, pulmonary function and hearing tests, and screenings for cholesterol, prostate cancer, liver, kidney, and blood diseases
- A mental health survey and interview
- Three comprehensive WTC monitoring medicals over the next five years

If your health status requires, the American Red Cross Grant allows us to provide at **no cost** to you:

- Respiratory evaluation and treatment with Chest CT scans, and/or, Sinus CT scans as needed
- Follow-up psychological and social work services
- Chronic WTC-related Pain Treatment
- Wellness Programs including a Tobacco Cessation Treatment Program

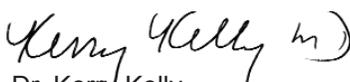
FDNY BHS is the designated WTC Medical Monitoring Program Center for FDNY first responders. The BHS WTC Medical Monitoring Program, specially designed and exclusive to FDNY members, provides:

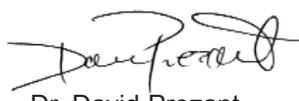
- Your individual medical results delivered **only to you**, along with comparisons to your pre- & post WTC medical data. Assurance that your individual data is technologically secure at FDNY BHS and will not be shared with the Mt. Sinai Consortium or the federal government.
- Group data (without names or identifiers) to be shared with Fire & EMS Unions, partners in our program.

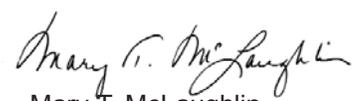
FDNY BHS was the first to establish immediate WTC related health effects. Your continued participation in this program will allow BHS to monitor long-term WTC related health outcomes, raise public awareness, and seek ongoing funding, for the future health needs of our FDNY first responders (**active & retired**).

How to sign up? Please fill out the enclosed contact form and mail it back to BHS in the return envelope, so we can set-up an appointment for your WTC Medical at your convenience. We look forward to this opportunity to serve you as a member of our great Department.

You took care of New York. Now let us take care of you!


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