

Office of Administrative Review

Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water (CLCW)

Promulgation and Authorization Tips



Purpose

This Tip Sheet addresses issues when promulgating and authorizing CLCW claims.



Audience

Promulgation and Authorization Veterans Service Representatives (VSR).



References

- [38 C.F.R. § 3.307\(a\)\(7\), Diseases associated with exposure to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune](#)
- [38 C.F.R. § 3.309, Disease subject to presumptive service connection](#)
- [38 C.F.R. § 17.400, Hospital care and medical services for Camp Lejeune veterans](#)
- [M21-1, VIII.iii.8.A, Developing Claims Based on Exposure to Contaminants in the Water Supply at Camp Lejeune](#)
- [M21-1, VIII.iii.8.B, Rating claims Based on Exposure to Contaminants in the Water Supply at Camp Lejeune](#)

Tips

- All CLCW claims must have all appropriate system updates applied, regardless of the stage of the claim.
 - All claims must have the “Environmental Hazard – Camp Lejeune” special issue affixed to any relevant contention(s)



- VSRs must include the following language in all notification letters for cases involving CLCW:

You may be eligible for cost free hospital care and medical services under a new law passed by Congress. To be eligible, you must have served at Camp Lejeune for at least 30 days between August 1, 1953-December 31, 1987 and be diagnosed with any of the illnesses or conditions listed below. For additional information, contact your local VA health care facility.

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Esophageal Cancer, Breast Cancer, Kidney Cancer, Multiple Myeloma, Renal Toxicity, Female Infertility, Scleroderma, Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, Lung Cancer, Bladder Cancer, Leukemia, Myelodysplastic Syndromes, Hepatic Steatosis, Miscarriage, And Neurobehavioral Effects. (38 CFR 17.400 Hospital Care and Medical Services for Camp Lejeune Veterans.)



Other Resources

- VA 4629734, *Developing Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water Claims*
- VA 4527840, *Camp Lejeune Claims Development*