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Camp Lejeune: Water Contamination Health Issues

If you served at Camp Lejeune or Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) New River in North Carolina, you may have had contact with contaminants in the drinking water there. Scientific and medical evidence has shown an association between exposure to these contaminants during military service and development of certain diseases later.

You may be eligible for disability benefits if you meet all these requirements.

Both must be true:

- You served at Camp Lejeune or MCAS New River for at least 30 cumulative days from August 1953 through December 1987, and
- You didn’t receive a dishonorable discharge when you separated from the military

To Qualify:

You must have a diagnosis of one or more of these presumptive conditions:

- Adult leukemia
- Aplastic anemia and other myelodysplastic syndromes
- Bladder cancer
- Kidney cancer
- Liver cancer
- Multiple myeloma
- Non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma
- Parkinson’s disease
Veterans and family members are eligible for health care benefits:

Veterans must have served at Camp Lejeune or MCAS New River for at least 30 cumulative days from August 1953 through December 1987

The following are some of the presumptive conditions:

- 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

Veterans filing a claim for benefits:

Veterans must provide this evidence (supporting documents):

- Your military records showing you served at Camp Lejeune or MCAS New River for at least 30 days from August 1953 through December 1987 while on active duty, or in the National Guard or Reserves, and
- Medical records stating that you have 1 or more of the 8 illnesses on the presumptive conditions list (see above)

What kind of disability benefits can I get?

- Health care
- Compensation (payments)

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Or scan the QR code with your cell phone camera to go to the website above.