

## Benefits available to those exposed to 9/11 toxins

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(AP)—New York officials are reaching out to people who may have been physically affected by the 9/11 attacks to tell them they may still be eligible for health benefits.

U.S. Reps. Carolyn Maloney and Jerrold Nadler are joining community and labor officials and <u>emergency workers</u> on Monday for the start of an outreach campaign to publicize the available benefits.

Tens of thousands of people are eligible for free medical exams, treatment and medication under the World Trade Center Health Program. They include those who lived and worked in lower Manhattan and Brooklyn in the year following 9/11—even those who may have been exposed just briefly to possible toxins.

There's no deadline to file <u>health claims</u>.

Oct. 3 is the deadline for the Victims Compensation Fund for <u>economic</u> <u>losses</u> due to 9/11 injuries.

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