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Information for people in Newcastle upon Tyne

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit

What is Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit?

If you have a certain level of disability because of an accident at work or through work activity, you may be able to claim Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit. There are two types of Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit relating to:

- diseases (caused through work activity)
- accidents

You can't claim Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit if you were self-employed in work that caused your injury.

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit – 'diseases'

You can claim Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit if you were employed in a job that caused your illness or disability. The scheme covers more than 70 diseases. For example:

- a disease caused by working with asbestos
- asthma
- chronic bronchitis or emphysema
- deafness
- pneumoconiosis (including silicosis and asbestosis)
- osteoarthritis of the knee in coal miners
- prescribed disease A11 (previously known as vibration white finger)
- and many more

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit – accidents

You may be able to claim Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit if you are disabled because of an accident or event that happened at work.

How can I claim Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit?

For further information, including how to claim, visit www.gov.uk.

Where to get benefits advice

You can get benefits advice from a local independent service. They can help guide you through the application process and explain how some benefits may impact upon another. Services in Newcastle include:

- **Citizens Advice Newcastle (CAN)**.
- **Newcastle Welfare Rights Service** have **self help material** on their website
- **Search Newcastle** give benefits advice to older people in the West of Newcastle
- **Disability North** give disability related benefit advice, help with appeals and representation at tribunals

Search for Benefits advice organisations

Location:
Postcode:
Search

TUC Asbestos Support and Campaign Group give free confidential information, advice and support to anyone with an asbestos related or industrial disease in the North East. They help people with industrial diseases with:

- Welfare benefits and support: applying for benefits, appealing against benefit decisions, health costs such as prescriptions and travel to hospital, applying for local authority financial support and charitable grants, requesting a blue disabled parking badge
- independent legal advice and representation

Other Useful Information

- **Money Advice Service** provides online information on the full range of benefits that you may be entitled to. This also includes where to find more help and advice.

- **Payment Exception Service** was introduced as cheques are no longer used to pay state benefits and Pension credit. Information Now has more details on the service available to those unable to use bank accounts.

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Useful Organisations

Citizens Advice Newcastle (CAN)

Email: citycab@newcastlecab.org.uk

Website: http://citizensadvice-newcastle.org.uk

Telephone: 0808 223 1133

Address: 4th Floor, City Library, NE1 8AX

Newcastle Welfare Rights Service

Email: welfare.rights@newcastle.gov.uk

Website: www.newcastle.gov.uk/welfarerights

Telephone: 0191 277 2627

Address: **POSTAL ADDRESS ONLY - No face-to-face advice is given here, NE7 7LX

Money Helper

Email: pensions.enquiries@moneyhelper.org.uk

Website: https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en

Address: Holborn Centre, EC1N 2TD

TUC Asbestos Support and Campaign Group

Email: reception@wvarc30.org.uk

Website: https://www.wvarc30.org.uk/

Telephone: 01429 271 294

Address: West View Advice and Resources Centre, TS24 9JQ

Disability North

Email: reception@disabilitynorth.org.uk

Website: www.disabilitynorth.org.uk

Telephone: 0191 2840480

Address: The Dene Centre, NE3 1PH

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