

# DUST DISEASES

We support people who have developed a dust disease as a result of harmful dust exposure while employed in NSW.



## Diseases commonly caused by dust:

- Asbestosis
- Silicosis
- Benzene Poisoning
- Carbon Monoxide Poisoning
- Coal Miners Black Lung
- Mesothelioma
- Occupational Asthma
- Pneumoconiosis
- Rheumatoid ARthritis
- Scleroderma
- Timber Dust Exposure

## Harmful dusts include:

- Asbestos
- Crystalline silica
- Hard metals like tungsten, cobalt
- Aluminium, beryllium
- Bagasse, cotton and mouldy hay
- Straw or grain

## Symptoms include

- Coughing
- Shortness of breath or abnormal breathing
- Chest pain
- Mucus in the airways

Dust diseases usually appear many years after exposure. Make sure you see your GP if you have have lung issues.

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