

Recommended Resources for Video: Burnpit and Toxic Exposure

<u>Overview</u>: Whether in-country or domestically, toxic exposure can lead to many illnesses and conditions that debilitate. Burn pits refers to the actual burning of all manner of waste, hardware, and more, then lit afire with jet fuel. This creates a toxic cloud that when breathed in, can create lung, upper respiratory, and even cancerous conditions. The effects may be long in developing or show immediately. Other less known toxic elements are from spent uranium, radiation, EMG, and sand-borne illnesses.

Note that the Dept of Veteran Affairs is still creating ratings codes for some of these diagnoses and conditions. There is also a Burn Pit Registry, and the newer PACT Act covers some (but not all) of toxic exposure injuries.

https://news.va.gov/110809/fast-facts-toxic-exposure-screening/

https://veteransguide.org/toxic-exposure/

https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/

https://www.dav.org/learn-more/news/2022/heres-whats-inside-the-largestveterans-toxic-exposure-bill-ever/

https://news.yahoo.com/40-vets-report-worries-military-203326861.html?fr=sycsrp_catchall

https://www.veteransnewsreport.com/2021/05/25/toxic-exposure-military-base/

https://news.yahoo.com/military-burn-pits-why-veterans-142520682.html?fr=sycsrp_catchall

https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/burnpits/index.asp

https://www.militarytimes.com/news/burn-pits/2022/08/02/millions-of-vetssuffering-from-burn-pit-toxic-injuries-set-for-more-benefits-after-congress-passespact-act/

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