

Interview Recruitment Script

There has recently been an increase in the number of miners with progressive forms of black lung (i.e., coal workers pneumoconiosis). Early detection of the disease may offer miners the opportunity to reduce their exposure to coal mine dust. In addition, it would help researchers and clinicians to track and monitor the disease. However, less than 50% of mineworkers participate in the free black lung screenings offered by the NIOSH Coal Workers' Health Surveillance Program.

I am currently conducting research to better understand why miners do or do not get voluntary black lung screenings. The research will be used to inform an intervention to improve early detection and medical surveillance programs. Would you be interested in sharing your thoughts and experiences in a confidential interview?

>>If yes, to participate you must...

- (1) Read and speak English
- (2) Be 18 years old or older
- (3) Have worked in coal mining within the last 10 years (i.e., Current, Retired, Former, or Contracted miners)

>>If no, thank you for your time. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the study.