## **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

# Office of Workers' Compensation Programs Division of Coal Mine Workers' Compensation



## Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

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Please circle a numerical response for each of the following questions:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A
I trust the Federal Black Lung Program to fulfill our country's commitment to mine workers and survivors. <i>Additional Comments</i> :	5	4	3	2	1	n/a
I was satisfied with the service I received from the Federal Black Lung Program. Additional Comments:	5	4	3	2	1	n/a
It took a reasonable amount of time for my decision to be issued. Additional Comments:	5	4	3	2	1	n/a
The correspondence or letters I received from the Federal Black Lung program were clear and understandable. <i>Additional Comments</i> :	5	4	3	2	1	n/a
The Black Lung Representatives that I interacted with were helpful. Additional Comments:	5	4	3	2	1	n/a

### CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE SURVEY

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1.	Hav	/e yo	u eve	er atte	mpte	ed to use the Federal Black Lung Program's Claimant Online Access Link (C.O.A.L.) portal to submit case
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□ Yes [Go to next question]

□ No [Skip to Question 3]

2. How was your experience using the C.O.A.L. portal? Select the response that best matches your experience.

 $\Box I$  was able to upload my documents easily.

 $\Box I$  was able to upload my documents with difficulty.

 $\Box I$  was not able to upload my documents.

3. Why have you never attempted to use the C.O.A.L. portal? Select the response that best matches your experience.

 $\Box I$  was not aware it existed.

□I found it too confusing/intimidating to even try.

 $\Box$  I generally prefer paper to online.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have internet access? □ Yes □ No

The C.O.A.L. Mine Portal can be found at- https://eclaimant.dol.gov/portal/?program\_name=BL

#### BARRIERS TO ACCESS SURVEY

The OWCP/Federal Black Lung Program is committed to finding ways to remove barriers, advance equity for all, and improve program accessibility and inclusion. Your responses to the questions below will help us improve inclusion and accessibility for the Federal Black Lung program:

In your interactions with the Federal Black Lung Program, have you experienced difficulties during the application process? YES INO

Difficulties may include policies, practices, procedures, conditions, or obstacles that limit or prevent equitable access to the Federal Black Lung Program.

If yes, please identify where you encountered difficulties. Check all that apply:

Form Completion	Physician Selection	Physician Scheduling	□ Physician Examination
□ Requested Information	Travel Reimbursement	🗆 🗆 Other:	_

Please explain how the above contributed to difficulties in the application process:

Program Representative?	🗆 YES 🗆 NO	Name:	Phone:
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#### Additional Comments:

#### **VOLUNTARY DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

We are collecting demographic data to help us address any systemic barriers in accessing benefits available under the Black Lung Benefits Act. The collection of this information, and all other information on this survey, is voluntary. You do not have to answer, and this information will not be available to, or used, by Office of Workers' Compensation Programs staff in the consideration of your claim. You may answer all, some, or none of the questions on this survey, including the questions below.

What is your Race or Ethnicity:	Gender Identity:	Primary Language:					
(Select all that apply)	What sex were you assigned at birth,	How well do you speak English?					
□ White	on your original birth certificate?	Very well					
□ Hispanic or Latino	Female	🗆 Well					
Black or African American	🗆 Male	Not well					
🗆 Asian		□ Not at all					
American Indian or Alaska Native	How do you currently describe						
Middle Eastern or North African	yourself (mark all that apply)?	Do you speak a language other than English at home?					
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific	🗆 Woman	🗆 Yes 🗆 No					
Islander	🗆 Man						
	□ Transgender	If yes, what is this language? (Select all that apply)					
Sexual Orientation:	I use different term	🗆 Spanish 🗆 French (including Patois, Cajun, Creole, Haitian)					
🗆 Gay or lesbian		🗆 Chinese 🗆 Tagalog 🗆 Vietnamese 🗆 Arabic 🗆 Korean					
□ Straight, that is not gay or lesbian		🗆 Russian 🗆 German 🗆 Hindi 🗆 Portuguese					
Bisexual		Other Language Not Listed:					
□ I use a different term							
🗆 I don't know							
Do you identify as having a disability other than Black Lung? 🛛 Yes 🖾 No							
If yes, please describe your disability.							
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