

What Types of Injuries Were Sustained By BP Oil Spill Workers?

The BP Gulf Oil Spill Help Desk discusses the types of injuries sustained by many individuals who participated in cleanup efforts following the 2010 oil spill.

NEW ORLEANS, LA, USA, October 3, 2013 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Following the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico many response workers were left with serious health conditions that some still continue to suffer from today. Cleanup crews have covered much ground in their efforts to restore what was damaged; however, numerous workers have, in the process, suffered from respiratory problems, serious skin conditions, chemical burns, and other health effects that they have yet to receive compensation for. The following are types of injuries noted to have been



sustained by some BP oil spill cleanup workers. Individuals in the same predicament may need to talk with a [BP oil spill health claims](#) attorney who can aid them in assessing their legal options.

- [Crude Oil exposure health effects](#) – Exposure to crude oil contaminants can induce respiratory, hematologic, renal, and other short and long term systemic effects.
- Chemical exposure side effects – The chemical dispersant used in breaking up the spill is known to cause serious side effects in rodents. Some workers have endured respiratory complications, elevated blood pressure, skin rashes, irritation of the throat, nose, and eyes, and other issues from contact with toxic chemicals.
- Heat stress – Prolonged exposure to heat and humidity is another common health risk experienced by oil spill cleanup workers. Heat stress was found by a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) study to be among the most prevalent illnesses experienced by oil spill workers included in the research.

The [BP Gulf Oil Spill Help Desk](#) is available to help oil spill workers who need assistance assessing their medical and legal options in the event that they have been injured. For more information on how to receive help, individuals can contact the help desk today.

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