



ASBESTOS AND PLEURAL PLAQUES

The Industrial Injuries Advisory Council (IIAC) is undertaking a review of asbestos and pleural plaques.

The Council provides advice to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions about Industrial Injuries benefit – the scheme by which employed earners in the UK receive benefits for industrial accidents or certain scheduled occupational diseases (prescribed diseases). Further information on the scheme and the criteria IIAC uses in reviewing the terms of prescription can be found at www.iiac.org.uk.

The Council will be reviewing the prevalence of pleural plaques in the general population, the occupational causation of pleural plaques, the risks of disability arising from pleural plaques and the risks of other complications of asbestos exposure arising in those with pleural plaques.

Any organisation or individual with evidence about asbestos and pleural plaques, specifically the areas the Council will be reviewing (as outlined in the above paragraph), is invited to submit it to the Council at the address below no later than 1st September 2008.

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