Compensation Decisions - Definitions

The “Compensation Decisions” file is updated weekly and provides a listing of compensation decisions issued by the VCF. The following information is provided for each decision:

**Date**: The date the Special Master made the compensation decision. If more than one compensation decision has been made for a single claim, the date listed is the date of the most recent decision.

**Award Type**: Indicates whether the decision is the initial compensation decision made on the claim (“New”) or a subsequent decision (“Revision”). A revised decision may be the result of an amended Compensation Form, a formal appeal of the prior decision, or a correction.

**Claim Type**: The VCF processes Personal Injury claims and Deceased claims. “Deceased” claims are claims for individuals who died of causes directly related to their 9/11 eligible condition.

**Injury**: The VCF compensation decision is based on the claimant’s 9/11-related condition. These conditions fall into three injury categories – Cancer Only, Non-Cancer Only, and Combined. The “Combined” category is used to identify those claims whose eligible conditions included both cancer and non-cancer conditions.

**Claimant Category**: The self-reported Claimant Category includes categories for the Responders and Non-Responders at the three sites and Residents in the NYC zone. The “NYC - Other Category” includes visitors, tourists, and any individual who was in the exposure zone during the relevant time period and is not included in another category. If a claimant did not self-identify as one of these categories, this field is blank.

**Award**: Indicates whether the decision includes compensation for Economic loss, Non-Economic loss, or both as defined in the VCF’s regulations.

**Award Range**: The compensation decision amount falls within the range provided.