

Further guidance

For more resources on how to notify, visit the National Registry website here: <https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/nordr/resources>

A copy of this brochure can also be downloaded by scanning this QR code:



What information is needed to make a notification?

To submit a notification, a physician must provide the minimum information, including:


- patient details
- diagnosis information
 - notifications of silicosis require physicians to upload a CT scan.
- exposure information
 - disease-causing agent
 - duration of exposure
 - time since last exposure
 - occupation, industry, job task
 - details of workplace where exposure occurred.
- patient consent is required if reporting diagnoses other than silicosis, or silicosis cases diagnosed before 22 May 2024.

A physician may also submit additional information, including:


- expanded occupational history and exposure details
- demographic and lifestyle details.

The National Occupational Respiratory Disease Registry

Physician Help Desk

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 Weekdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm (AEST).



Purpose

The National Registry will enable better data collection of respiratory diseases that are caused or exacerbated by a person's occupation. This will support research to prevent work related diseases, the mapping of occupational respiratory diseases and help identify workplace exposure risks.

What are your obligations?

From 22 May 2024, prescribed medical practitioners must report diagnoses of prescribed occupational respiratory diseases to the National Registry:

- occupational and environmental medicine physicians
- respiratory and sleep medicine physicians.

Silicosis is currently the only prescribed occupational respiratory disease.

Notifications must be submitted within 30 days from when the disease is diagnosed.

Queensland physicians have different reporting obligations. These can be found by visiting: <https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/nordr/diseases>

Additional features of the National Registry

Physicians who register on the Physician Portal will have self-service access to a suite of reports that display national notification information about diseases and work related data.

Physicians can also report other occupational respiratory diseases and silicosis cases diagnosed prior to 22 May 2024, with patient consent. Voluntary reporting will further build our understanding of occupational respiratory diseases.

What is the information used for?

National Registry information sharing can support:

- healthcare planning, promotion and delivery
- research related to occupational respiratory diseases
- activities to prevent worker exposure to disease causing agents
- a better understanding of occupational respiratory disease burden in Australia.

How do I report to the National Registry?

Physicians can notify to the National Registry using an online portal.

Before making their first notification physicians must complete a short registration process. After registering, physicians can also nominate someone to notify on their behalf.

Detailed instructions about how to register and notify to the National Registry can be found at:

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/physician-user-guide-national-occupational-respiratory-disease-registry?language=en>.

