DEEOIC has developed a robust schedule for 2025 that includes various types of outreach events at cities throughout the country. As part of an initiative to enhance our stakeholders' experience and provide ample time to plan attendance, a schedule of events has been created and is provided below. Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances, events may be cancelled or changed. Any changes or cancellations will be promptly posted on the <u>Outreach and Events</u> page.

Throughout the year, please monitor the <u>Outreach and Events</u> page for specific event location information. Typically, the flyer for each event is posted to this page at least one month prior to the event.

If you have any questions about these events, please email us at <a href="mailto:DEEOIC-Outreach@dol.gov">DEEOIC-Outreach@dol.gov</a>

	2025 Outreach Schedule	
Location	Event Type	<u>Date</u>
Cullman, AL	Traveling Resource Center	Wednesday, February 12, 2025
St. Petersburg, FL	Energy Outreach Event	Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Idaho Falls, ID	JOTG Outreach Event	Wednesday, April 23, 2025
Grand Junction, CO	Energy Outreach Event	Wednesday, May 21, 2025
Long Island, NY	JOTG Outreach Event	Tuesday, June 10, 2025
Attleboro, MA	Energy Outreach Event	Thursday, June 12, 2025
Espanola, NM	AR Workshop Day 1	Tuesday, July 22, 2025
Espanola, NM	AR Workshop Day 2	Wednesday, July 23, 2025
Espanola, NM	JOTG Outreach Event	Thursday, July 24, 2025
Pittsburg, PA	Traveling Resource Center	Wednesday, August 13, 2025
St. Louis, MO	JOTG Outreach Event	Wednesday, September 10, 2025

### **Description of event types:**

#### JOTG Outreach Event

The Joint Outreach Task Group (JOTG) is made up of the Division of Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation (DEEOIC) and partner agencies that play a role in the administration of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA). These agencies include the Department of Energy (DOE) and their former worker medical screening programs, the

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), the Department of Justice (DOJ) Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) Program, and the Offices of the Ombudsman for the EEOICPA and NIOSH. JOTG outreach events start with informational presentations given by DEEOIC and JOTG agencies. DEEOIC provides an overview of the EEOICPA presentation, and another presentation covering medical benefits. The Office of the Ombudsman for the EEOICPA provides a presentation covering the services they provide and helpful tips for claimants. NIOSH provides a presentation on the dose reconstruction and special exposure cohort petition processes. DOE provides a presentation on records and their former worker medical screening programs provide information on free medical screenings for former workers at DOE nuclear weapons sites. After the presentations, there is a question-and-answer session with all presenters and the agencies meet with the public at tables situated throughout the venue. Throughout the events, DEEOIC and DEEOIC Resource Center employees are available to meet with claimants individually to assist with case status updates, medical benefits issues, and claims filing assistance.

### **Energy Outreach Event**

Energy outreach events are staffed by DEEOIC Resource Center employees, Claims Examiners (CE), Medical Benefits Examiners (MBE), and DEEOIC National Office staff. The Resource Center staff setup an information and registration table at the entrance to the venue. DEEOIC brochures are placed on the tables. Resource Center staff interact with attendees to answer general questions about the program. There will be a private area for Resource Center Caseworkers to intake new claims and CEs/MBEs to provide case status updates, answer case specific questions, and troubleshoot medical benefits issues. These events may include information tables from other Joint Outreach Task Group (JOTG) agencies.

# **Traveling Resource Center**

These events are typically hosted near covered facilities and manned by DEEOIC Resource Center employees. The purpose of the events is to provide Resource Center services and information to stakeholders who are not located near one of the eleven Resource Center locations. Resource Center staff setup registration tables at the entrance to the venue. DEEOIC brochures are placed on the tables. Resource Center staff interact with attendees to answer general questions about the program. There will also be a private area where Resource Center Caseworkers will have tables setup to meet with attendees individually and intake new claims or answer questions about existing claims and medical benefits issues. Any questions or issues beyond the scope of Caseworker assistance will be referred to DEEOIC staff.

## **Authorized Representative (AR) Workshop**

The AR Workshop is a two-day event for ARs who represent claimants under the EEOICPA. During the workshop, DEEOIC staff, as well as representatives from the DOE, NIOSH, and the Office of the Ombudsman for the EEOICPA present information on their roles in the Program. In addition, there are several half-hour to one-hour long sessions on a variety of specific topics. The goal of AR workshops is to give a more in-depth understanding of the Program to ARs so that they can better assist claimants. Invitations to participate in the AR workshop are sent out to ARs within the region the event is being hosted in. An email about the event is also sent to DEEOIC distribution lists and there will be information posted on the DEEOIC website as soon as it becomes available.