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Updates & News

“ROAD TRIP THROUGH THE ATOMIC AGE” ROLLS ON

Our “Road Trip through the Atomic Age” put the pedal to the metal, making the latest pit stops in South Carolina, Nevada, Tennessee, Washington, Kentucky and Missouri.

We’re more than halfway through visiting the locations featured in our 2025 Cold War Patriots calendar. Each location, whether a U.S. Department of Energy site or a local museum, keeps the history of America’s nuclear weapons and uranium industries alive. Cold War Patriots members and guests are treated to a tour of the venue and its exhibits. Many members take the opportunity to reminisce about their own experiences working in the nuclear weapons and uranium industries.

WE RECENTLY VISITED

- ★ Savannah River Site in Aiken, South Carolina
- ★ National Atomic Testing Museum in Las Vegas, Nevada
- ★ American Museum of Science & Energy in Oak Ridge, Tennessee
- ★ Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Paducah, Kentucky
- ★ REACH Museum in Richland, Washington
- ★ Saint Louis Science Center in St. Louis, Missouri



Cold War Patriots members and guests discovering the Savannah River Site’s contributions to nuclear science and defense.



The National Atomic Testing Museum docent begin the exciting tour for our members and guests.



Cold War Patriots members and guests waiting to tour the REACH Museum.

Hundreds of Cold War Patriots members from across the nation have RSVP’d and joined us on our “Road Trip Through the Atomic Age” so far. We still have a few tours coming up. Scan the QR code or visit coldwarpatriots.org/eventcal25/ to RSVP for an upcoming tour near you and see photos from previous tours.





Outreach Spotlight



STEPHANIE STEIGER

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My passion is providing clarity, support, and respect during challenging times. With over 15 years of experience in assisted living, memory care, and independent living, I have a deep understanding of the complexities involved in senior care. I have a special affinity for assisting veterans with applications for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program and the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, honoring their service and sacrifices. My personal experiences have strengthened my dedication to guiding families through difficult care decisions, ensuring they feel

supported and informed every step of the way.

I joined Professional Case Management in April 2025 to help nuclear weapons and uranium workers access their earned benefits, making the often complex and stressful process easier and more manageable. I am committed to helping workers navigate everything from applying for benefits and receiving their white card to securing the care and support they earned. My goal is to bring peace of mind to families during these transitions.

My family includes a daughter who is a nurse and a son and daughter serving in the military. Despite the miles that separate us, I cherish my role as a family advocate, and I find joy in supporting my family while helping others through their own journeys.



JUSTIN WALTERS

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It has been a privilege working for Professional Case Management (PCM) and Cold War Patriots (CWP) since March 2025. With a decade of experience in home health and hospice care, particularly in end-of-life care, I bring specialized knowledge and compassion to this position. I'm deeply committed to helping nuclear weapons and uranium workers navigate the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program (EEOICP) to ensure they receive the care and benefits they've rightfully earned.

My foremost responsibility is serving the workers in my community, identifying workers who need EEOICP assistance and connecting them with vital support services. Additionally, I collaborate with local healthcare providers across multiple specialties, ensuring they stay informed about current evidence-based best practices and EEOICP benefits.

To all current and former nuclear weapons and uranium workers: thank you for your service. At CWP and PCM, we're honored to provide you with the highest quality in-home health care because after everything you've given, you deserve nothing less.



JOIN US FOR THE IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL CEREMONY

In 2009, the U.S. Senate first adopted a resolution honoring America's nuclear weapons industry workers. Every year since, the Senate has renewed this resolution designating October 30th as a National Day of Remembrance (NDR). Cold War Patriots and Professional Case Management are the only advocacy and in-home care organizations that drove this effort and continue to do so every year. Since 2009, Cold War Patriots members have gathered to honor the men and women who worked in the U.S. nuclear weapons and uranium industries and recognize those who are no longer with us.

HONORING OUR LIVING LEGENDS & FALLEN HEROES

We invite you to the 17th Official Cold War Patriots National Day of Remembrance™. This year we will continue our in-person ceremony in select cities. For those unable to attend in-person, we welcome you to attend our virtual ceremony. During both ceremonies, we will light candles and recite the names of workers who have recently passed.

2025 IN-PERSON CEREMONIES

Guest speakers include former workers, local dignitaries, a special message from the Official Senators sponsoring the National Day of Remembrance resolution and moving performances by local choirs.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16th ★ 10 AM – 12 PM

Oak Ridge Conference Center - 1403 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30th ★ 10 AM – 12 PM

Commonwealth Event Center - 5955 US-60 W, Paducah, KY

2025 VIRTUAL CEREMONY

Join us on **October 30th at 12 PM ET** for a virtual ceremony honoring all workers across the nation. If you are unable to watch live, a recording will be emailed to you.



RSVP TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY

Whether you plan to attend our in-person or virtual ceremony, please scan the QR code or visit coldwarpatriots.org/NDR to fill out the RSVP form.

We are pleased to offer a coin commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA). **To receive yours by mail*, RSVP for the virtual 17th Official Cold War Patriots National Day of Remembrance™ ceremony.**

*Offer only available to nuclear weapons, uranium workers & their families.



Cold War Patriot Events

CALLING ALL HEROES!

For the third year in a row, Cold War Patriots (CWP) excitedly rolled out the red carpet to honor our real-life superheroes: the brave nuclear weapons and uranium workers who helped shape history!

We hosted 36 screenings of "Superman" across the country for CWP members, Professional Case Management (PCM) clients, and PCM employees for a fun and free day at the movies. This year, we continued our partnership with the American Cancer Society (ACS) and raised over \$4,000 in the fight against cancer. Thank you to everyone who donated! A few workers shared their thoughts and appreciation:

"Thank you for always remembering us and providing me and family opportunities to join these fun events."

"We just left the theater and wanted to send a quick note of appreciation. My wife and I enjoyed our movie date, thank you again."

THINKING OF ATTENDING A CWP EVENT?

Whether it's your first time or it's been awhile, our resourceful events are here to help you – with helpful information, friendly faces, and a chance to reconnect with others who share your history. Here's a quick look at what to expect and how to get ready:

What to Expect at a CWP Event

- ★ Friendly, welcoming space for nuclear weapons and uranium workers.
- ★ Reconnect with familiar faces, catch up with former co-workers and make new connections.
- ★ Learn about your EEOICPA benefits, get clear and helpful information.
- ★ Understand your next steps or where to start.
- ★ Meet experts and registered nurses who can guide you to approved doctors.
- ★ Meet an Advocate who can help you file your claim.
- ★ Schedule an appointment with an Impairment Doctor.
- ★ Determine if you're ready for a free medical screening tailored for nuclear weapons and uranium workers.

How to Prepare for a CWP Event

- ★ **RSVP!** Use the details on your invitation so we can plan for food and supplies.
- ★ **Bring a guest!** Whether it's a spouse, partner, child, fellow co-workers, or trusted friend, they are welcome to join you.
- ★ **Arrive a few minutes early** to check in and get settled.
- ★ **Be ready for some goodies!** You'll get helpful handouts and free items like a hat, notepad, water bottle, and a tote bag to carry it all in!



Our supportive CWP team.



CWP members look over the goodies.



CWP members check-in.

PCM Senior Case Manager Spotlight



LAUREE CALDWELL

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I have been a registered nurse for 34 years and spent most of my career in emergency services. I have been with Professional Case Management (PCM) for six years. I am the educator for our South Carolina/Georgia region, participating in training new case managers and staff nurses as well as speaking at Share the Care events when asked. Share the Care events are opportunities for PCM nurses and caregivers to introduce our services to more workers.

I am from Aiken, South Carolina with a father who worked for the U.S. Department of Energy (formerly the Atomic Energy Commission) at the Savannah River Site. Since much of his career occurred during the Cold War, he never discussed work with us. By the time I was in high school I noticed my father and my friends' fathers enduring cancer diagnoses at an alarming rate. Watching my father and his colleagues made my decision to leave acute care and come to PCM to work with this population easier. I truly believe PCM has had a positive impact in my community.



EMILY SPARLING

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I grew up in Fayetteville, Georgia. After attending the University of Georgia (Go Dawgs!) and The Medical College of Georgia, I earned my Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 2004. I now live in Aiken, South Carolina, with my son, dogs and chickens! For the first 18 years of my career as a registered nurse, I worked in labor and delivery, a role I deeply loved. In early 2022, I decided to transition into home health case management with Professional Case Management (PCM).

Just four months after joining PCM, I experienced a devastating house fire that took both my home and one of my beloved dogs. My PCM colleagues rallied around me, offering support in one of the most difficult times of my life. Their kindness and generosity will always hold a special place in my heart.

Later that same year, I was honored with a promotion to Senior Case Manager. The past three years with PCM have been incredibly rewarding. The South Carolina/Georgia team is outstanding. Together, we're supportive, compassionate, and truly like family.

Although I don't have direct ties to the Savannah River Site, working with our clients gave me deep respect for their sacrifices and service. I profoundly appreciate the dedication these patriots have shown to our country. It's a privilege to care for them and their families.

FORMER ROCKY FLATS WELDER'S PCM CARE TEAM PROVIDES PEACE OF MIND

CLIENT CORNER



My name is Tom, and I worked at Rocky Flats as a pipefitter and welder from 1980 to 1989. My team and I welded, fitted pipes, and worked on chiller systems throughout the Rocky Flats site. I take pride in the work we did. It contributed to maintaining peace through superior firepower, which helped keep us safe from threats abroad.

I became a client of Professional Case Management (PCM) in 2017. I knew PCM was the right choice for me because they were honest with me when other companies were not.

PCM has helped keep me out of the hospital and safe at home. Having PCM nurses visit weekly to check on my health gives me peace of mind. My personal care assistants are a tremendous help with my daily activities.

I would recommend PCM because, in my experience, they are better than other home health companies.



Tom sitting in his easy chair.



Scan the QR code or visit procasemanagement.com/pcm-client-corner to read more from CWP members who are also PCM clients on our Client Corner page.

If you're curious about how PCM care can help keep you comfortable at home call the **Outreach Help Center** at **877.335.0779**.



IMPAIRMENTS CORNER

New Condition Added to Your White Card? You may be eligible for an off-cycle Impairment Evaluation.

If you already have a U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) medical benefits white card under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program (EEOICP) and later find out you have another illness caused by your work at a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) or Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) facility, you can ask to add this new illness to your claim. This is called adding a "covered condition."

Once the U.S. DOL agrees that your new illness is related to your job, you can get a new impairment evaluation. This is a medical exam that checks how much the illness has affected your body. A specially trained, board-certified PCM Impairments doctor can perform the impairment evaluation for you.

You don't have to wait the standard two years between evaluations if you're adding a new illness. If the new illness causes more damage to your health, you may get more compensation. The U.S. DOL pays \$2,500 for each 1% of whole-body impairment.

The government pays for this exam if it's done by a qualified physician, like one of ours, and provided it has been authorized.

This process helps make sure you get fair compensation for all the health problems caused by your work. If you get a new diagnosis, it's important to tell the U.S. DOL and send in your medical records. More importantly, PCM Impairments can make this process simple and seamless for your convenience. Let PCM Impairments help you navigate your impairment journey easily.



We are certain you will have a great experience with PCM Impairments.

Let us get you on the right track today!

Call us at 866.578.2580 to speak with a PCM Impairment Navigator.

