

Community Meeting – Open to the Public

Respiratory Health Survey of Taconite Workers and Spouses

WHY THIS STUDY MATTERS:

The finding of **mesothelioma** cases, and **concern from citizens living on the Iron Range**, are the reasons the University of Minnesota is conducting a thorough assessment of workers in the taconite industry. We are investigating the potential causes of mesothelioma in another part of the study and in this survey of taconite workers we are interested in determining whether workers are at risk for other lung conditions related to exposure to dust from mining activities. These other lung conditions can often be managed if diagnosed early on and are much more common than mesothelioma.

ATTEND THE INFORMATIONAL MEETING:

Please consider attending the informational meeting. We will share information you can use to decide whether or not to participate in the Respiratory Health Survey of Taconite Workers and Spouses research study as well as how your participation can help maintain and sustain the industry. You won't need to decide about participating in the study at the time of the meeting. By attending the meeting, you will know more about the study and be able to make the best decision for you and for the taconite industry.

Tuesday, August 31, 2010

4:30 p.m.

Recreation Building

109 Outer Drive

Silver Bay, MN

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