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I'd like to propose a study of the impact Victim Compensation has on the decision of which health issues are researched. It seems that health problems that may lead to more compensation claims are intentionally being omitted from the WTCHP research initiatives.

Researching the WTC exposed youth is a safe way to avoid qualifying for Victims Compensation since they will never be able to file for Disability, one of the defining qualifications for economic loss compensation, and most did not have an injury from the exposure to the attacks on the day of 9-11 but suffer from the aftermath.

Those of us who lived in Battery Park City, directly across from the WTC, had far more exposure to the toxic dust and smoke than many of those working on the WTC site. Many of those workers left the area after their shift ended. We lived in the middle of it with constant exposure to the toxins night and day that made us sick and ruined our lives.

We need a different rule for compensation for those local residents living within the immediate vicinity of the World Trade Center. The rule as it's written now is not fair to all. The VCF is skewed towards the Union workers with their masses of representation and celebrity voices. We lost more than most but are receiving very little by comparison. This has to change!

With better research into the root causes of the multiple health issues that continue to plague the 9-11 exposed we can make sure that there are appropriate treatment protocols developed and that those suffering all these years are fairly compensated for the irreparable damage the attack has done to their lives.