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In 2018, Dr. Markowitz was selected to serve a second term as Chair of [the Department of Labor's Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health](#). Congress passed legislation establishing the Board in 2015 to advise on selected issues regarding the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program. A total of 12 board members representing the scientific, medical, and workers' representative communities were selected for two year terms. The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA) was passed in 2000 and amended in 2005 to provide medical benefits and compensation to former workers of Department of Energy sites who were exposed to radiation and other toxic substances. It was awarded \$12.4 billion in compensation and medical benefits over the past 15 years.

The Board advises the Secretary of Labor on selected aspects of the existing compensation program. Stated areas of focus are: the DOL's database of Site Exposure Matrices, medical guidance for examination of claims, evidence requirements for lung disease claims, and the evaluation of work by existing industrial hygienists and physicians.