



Long-term, Chronic Effects

Facts:

- ◆ Chronic health effects result from long-term, low levels of exposure, as well as from short-term, concentrated exposure.
- ◆ In scientific tests with animals and epidemiological studies with people, agricultural chemicals caused the following problems:
 - Cancer
 - Sterility
 - Miscarriages and birth defects
 - Damage to the liver and other organs
- ◆ Not much is known about the long-term effects to farmworkers of being exposed to agricultural chemicals. Some farmworkers believe that they were very seriously injured by chronic exposure, but more information needs to be collected.

