Educational Resources

➤ Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

- The Epidemiology of Coccidiodomycosis in Los Angeles County, 1973-2011(VIDEO) http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/Media/EPI-Coccidioidomycosis/Player.html
- Coccidiodomycosis: The Importance of Clinical Recognition http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/docs/cocciRxarticle.pdf

Center for Disease Control and Prevention

- Coccidiodomycosis (Valley Fever): http://www.cdc.gov/fungal/coccidioidomycosis/
- Fact sheet (U.S.): http://www.cdc.gov/fungal/pdf/cocci-fact-sheet-sw-us-508c.pdf
- Fact sheet (California): http://www.cdc.gov/fungal/pdf/cocci-fact-sheet-california-final-508c.pdf

> Articles Pertaining To West Hills, West Valley Health District, Simi Valley, Santa Susana Area

- A coccidioidomycosis outbreak following the Northridge, Calif, earthquake. JAMA 1997 Mar 19; 277(11):904-8. "Environmental data indicated that large dust clouds, generated by landslides following the earthquake and strong aftershocks in the Santa Susana Mountains north of Simi Valley, were dispersed into nearby valleys by northeast winds. Simi Valley case-control study data indicated that physically being in a dust cloud (odds ratio, 3.0; 95% CI, 1.6-5.4; P<.001) and time spent in a dust cloud (P<.001) significantly increased the risk for being diagnosed with acute coccidioidomycosis". http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/9062329
- LA Times, Aug 24, 1994, VF outbreak & Ventura Cases after Jan 17 Earthquake: http://articles.latimes.com/1994-08-24/local/me-30700 1 valley-fever
- Same as above: http://articles.latimes.com/1994-08-24/local/me-30512 1 valley-fever
- Today News Gazette (coverage of 1994 earthquake and VF outbreak): http://todaynewsgazette.com/los-angeles-earthquake-valley-fever/
- Simi Valley Acron, Jun 2, 2006, http://www.simivalleyacorn.com/news/2006-06-02/community/008.html

Other Excellent Resources

- Just One Breath (Solo Un Respiro): Why Are People Still Dying of Valley Fever and Tens of Thousands Getting Sick
 Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism, University of Southern California http://www.reportingonhealth.org/valleyfever
- Valley Fever Center for Excellence, University of Arizona https://www.vfce.arizona.edu/clinicians/

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