Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

EXTERNAL BURN

ICD CODES: 910.0, 910.1, 911.0, 911.1, 912.0, 912.1, 913.0, 913.1, 914.0, 914.1, 915.0, 915.1, 916.0, 916.1, 917.0, 917.1, 919.0, 919.1, 940 - 946, 948, 949, 991.8

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 subsection 196B(3)

The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), Instrument No.38 of 1994 (Statement of Principles concerning external burns) by:

- 1. omitting from the heading of the Instrument the words and numbers, "EXTERNAL BURNS ICD CODES: 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946 & 949", and inserting in its place, "EXTERNAL BURN ICD CODES: 910.0, 910.1, 911.0, 911.1, 912.0, 912.1, 913.0, 913.1, 914.0, 914.1, 915.0, 915.1, 916.0, 916.1, 917.0, 917.1, 919.0, 919.1, 940 - 946, 948, 949, 991.8";
- 2. omitting paragraphs 1(a) to 1(d) inclusive and replacing them with:
 - "(a) application of heat to the external body resulting in external burn; or
 - (b) application of extreme cold to the external body resulting in external burn; or
 - (c) application of chemicals, caustics, acid or ionising radiation to the external body resulting in external burn; or
 - (d) application of friction to the external body resulting in external burn; or ";

- 3. omitting the word "burn" from paragraphs 3(a) and 3(b) and inserting in its place, in both paragraphs the words "external burn";
- 4. omitting the definition of "external burns" in paragraph 4, and inserting in its place the following definition:

"**'external burn'** means an injury to external body tissue, attracting ICD codes 910.0, 910.1, 911.0, 911.1, 912.0, 912.1, 913.0, 913.1, 914.0, 914.1, 915.0, 915.1, 916.0, 916.1, 917.0, 917.1, 919.0, 919.1, 940 - 946, 948, 949, or 991.8, but does not include an injury or disease caused by the effects of solar radiation, the condition commonly known as "wind burn", or injuries caused by microwave, infrared, ultra-violet or laser energy radiation or injuries to the alimentary tract;";

5. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.38 of 1994 and section 120B of the Act apply.

Iwenty-fifth May day of Dated this 1995 The Common Seal of the) **Repatriation Medical Authority**)) was affixed to this instrument in the presence of:)

KEN DONALD CHAIRMAN