Instrument No.132 of 1995

### REVOKED

## **Statement of Principles**

concerning

# MALIGNANT NEOPLASM OF THE OVARY

#### ICD CODE: 183.0

### Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 subsection 196B(3)

- 1. Being of the view that, on the sound medical-scientific evidence available to the Repatriation Medical Authority, it is more probable than not that **malignant neoplasm of the ovary** and **death from malignant neoplasm of the ovary** can be related to eligible war service (other than operational service) rendered by veterans and defence service (other than hazardous service) rendered by members of the Forces, the Repatriation Medical Authority determines, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), that the factors that must exist before it can be said that, on the balance of probabilities, **malignant neoplasm of the ovary** is connected with the circumstances of that service, are:
  - (a) undertaking a course of therapeutic radiation involving the pelvic organs before the clinical onset of malignant neoplasm of the ovary; or
  - (b) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for the malignant neoplasm of the ovary.
- 2. Subject to clause 3 (below) at least one of the factors set out in subparagraphs 1(a) to 1(b) must be related to any service rendered by a person.

- 3. The factor set out in paragraph **1(b)** applies only where:
  - (a) the person's **malignant neoplasm of the ovary** was contracted before a period, or part of a period, of service to which the factor is related; and
  - (b) the relationship suggested between the **malignant neoplasm of the ovary** and the particular service of a person is a relationship set out in paragraph 8(1)(e), 9(1)(e), or 70(5)(d) of the Act.
- 4. For the purposes of this Statement of Principles:

"a course" means five or more episodes of treatment within a 125 day period;

**"ICD code"** means a number assigned to a particular kind of injury or disease in the tenth edition of the *International Classification of Diseases* 9th Revision, effective date of 1 October 1993, copyrighted by the US Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities, and having the Library of Congress number 77-94472;

**"malignant neoplasm of the ovary"** means a neoplastic growth arising from the cells of the ovary and includes epithelial, germ cell and stromal tissues, attracting ICD code 183.0;

**"therapeutic radiation"** means medical treatment by irradiation to the person with gamma rays, x-rays, alpha particles or beta particles.

Dated this

1995

Thirteenth<sub>day of</sub> April

The Common Seal of the Repatriation Medical Authority was affixed to this instrument in the presence of:

#### KEN DONALD CHAIRMAN

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