



Australian Government
Repatriation Medical Authority

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

**Section 196G of the
*Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986***

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) gives notice under section 196G of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the VEA) that it intends to carry out investigations under section 196B(7) of the VEA to review the contents of Statements of Principles concerning the following:

Condition:	Instrument Nos.:
Reiter's syndrome	17 & 18 of 1998
Symptomatic Epstein-Barr virus infection	25 & 26 of 1998
Psoriatic arthropathy	27 & 28 of 1998
Renal artery atherosclerotic disease	39 of 1998 & 33 of 1999
Aortic aneurysm	66 & 67 of 1998
Non-aneurysmal aortic atherosclerotic disease	68 & 69 of 1998
Varicose veins of the lower limb	70 & 71 of 1998
Angle-closure glaucoma	15 & 16 of 1999, as amended by 25 & 26 of 2006
Open-angle glaucoma	69 & 70 of 2001, as amended by 23 & 24 of 2006
Adhesive capsulitis of the shoulder	17 & 18 of 1999, as amended by 28 & 29 of 2002
Cluster headache syndrome	66 & 67 of 1999
Polycythaemia vera	78 & 79 of 1999, as amended by 11 & 12 of 2001 & 30 of 2005

The Authority invites the following persons and organisations to make written submissions to the Authority in respect of any of the investigations:

- a person eligible to make a claim for pension under Part II or Part IV of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*;
- a person eligible to make a claim for compensation under section 319 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (the MRCA);
- an organisation representing veterans, Australian mariners, members of the Forces, members of the Peacekeeping Forces, members within the meaning of the MRCA, or their dependants;
- the Repatriation Commission or the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission; and
- a person having expertise in a field relevant to the investigation.

The Authority will hold its first meeting for the purposes of each of these investigations on **7 December 2009**.

Under the VEA, the Authority is required to find out whether there is new information available about how the above listed conditions may be suffered or contracted, or death from the above listed conditions may occur; and the extent to which the above listed conditions or death from the above

listed conditions may be war-caused, defence-caused, a service injury, a service disease or a service death. Persons and organisations wishing to make a submission should obtain a copy of the *RMA Submission Guidelines* from the RMA website [www.rma.gov.au] or by contacting the RMA Secretariat at the address or telephone number below.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority at the address below no later than **27 November 2009**.

The Common Seal of the)
Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed in the presence of)



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