

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 subsection 196B(7) of the VEA to review the contents of Statements of Principles concerning the following:

Condition:	Instrument Nos.:	
Inguinal hernia	5 & 6 of 2005	
Solar keratosis	7 & 8 of 2005	
Chronic lymphoid leukaemia	9 & 10 of 2005	
Gastro-oesophageal reflux disease	11 & 12 of 2005	
Sleep apnoea	13 & 14 of 2005	
Erectile dysfunction	17 & 18 of 2005	
Malignant neoplasm of the oral cavity, oropharynx & hypopharynx	19 & 20 of 2005	
Seborrhoeic dermatitis	21 & 22 of 2005	
Asbestosis	23 & 24 of 2005	
Ankylosing spondylitis	25 & 26 of 2005	
Malignant neoplasm of the prostate	28 & 29 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 22 February 2011.

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 14 February 2011.

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

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