

## 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:

<b>Condition:</b>	<b>Instrument Nos.:</b>
Achilles tendinopathy and bursitis	37 & 38 of 2007
intervertebral disc prolapse	39 & 40 of 2007 (as amended by 80 & 81 of 2008 and 38 & 39 of 2010)
malignant neoplasm of the oesophagus	41 & 42 of 2007 (as amended by 55 & 56 of 2011)
tuberculosis	43 & 44 of 2007
albinism	45 & 46 of 2007
alkaptonuria	47 & 48 of 2007
congenital cataract	49 & 50 of 2007
horseshoe kidney	51 & 52 of 2007
Marfan syndrome	53 & 54 of 2007
autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease	55 & 56 of 2007
von Willebrand's disease	57 & 58 of 2007
osteogenesis imperfecta	59 & 60 of 2007
spina bifida	61 & 62 of 2007
haemophilia	63 & 64 of 2007
Parkinson's disease and parkinsonism	65 of 2007 (as amended by 83 of 2010) & 66 of 2007)
malignant neoplasm of the gallbladder	67 & 68 of 2007 (as amended by 51 & 52 of 2011)
myopia, hypermetropia and astigmatism	69 & 70 of 2007
dental caries	71 & 72 of 2007
loss of teeth	73 & 74 of 2007 (as amended by 121 & 122 of 2007)
pterygium	75 & 76 of 2007
pinguecula	77 & 78 of 2007
malignant melanoma of the skin	79 & 80 of 2007
non-melanotic malignant neoplasm of the skin	81 & 82 of 2007 (as amended by 71 & 72 of 2011)
mesothelioma	83 & 84 of 2007
systemic lupus erythematosus	85 & 86 of 2007 (as amended by 41 & 42 of 2009)
ischaemic heart disease	89 & 90 of 2007 (as amended by 43 & 44 of 2009; 96 & 97 of 2010 and 125 & 126 of 2011)
hallux valgus	91 & 92 of 2007
ingrowing nail	93 & 94 of 2007
lipoma	97 & 98 of 2007
malignant neoplasm of the endometrium	99 of 2007 (as amended by 91 of 2011) & 100 of 2007)
anxiety disorder	101 & 102 of 2007 (as amended by 42 & 43 of 2010 and 15 & 16 of 2011)
peritoneal adhesions	103 & 104 of 2007

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 in April 2014.

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](http://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 **4 April 2014**.

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

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO  
CHAIRPERSON                                22/10/2012

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