

**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 an investigation pursuant to subsection 196B(7) of the VEA to review the contents of Statements of Principles concerning **malignant neoplasm of the brain** Nos. 58 & 59 of 2008, as amended.

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

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 this investigation on **1 December 2015**.

Under the VEA, the Authority is required to find out whether there is new information available about how **malignant neoplasm of the brain** may be suffered or contracted, or death from **malignant neoplasm of the brain** may occur, and the extent to which **malignant neoplasm of the brain** or death from **malignant neoplasm of the brain** 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 theRMA 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 **20 November 2015**.

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Repatriation Medical Authority )

was affixed at the direction of: )

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO

CHAIRPERSON 21/ 08 /2015