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Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

TUBERCULOSIS

ICD CODE: 010-018

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 subsection 196B(2)

1. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), Instrument No.47 of 1995 (Statement of Principles concerning tuberculosis) by inserting after the definition of "course of chemotherapy" the words:

"haematological malignancy' means a neoplasm derived from the clonal proliferation of haematopoietic (blood forming) progenitor cells, and includes the acute and chronic leukaemias and the malignant lymphomas (non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and Hodgkin's disease);"

in paragraph 4 of that instrument.

NOTE: The effect of this amendment is that paragraph 4 of that instrument is as follows-

4. For the purposes of this Statement of Principles:

"chronic renal failure" means renal injury of a sustained nature that is not reversible and leads to destruction of nephron mass and is associated with a demonstrable functional abnormality of the kidney which raises the level of creatinine, attracting an ICD code of 585;

"course of chemotherapy" means treatment of a malignant or proliferative disease with a chemical agent that has an antimetabolite or similar action;

"haematological malignancy" means a neoplasm derived from the clonal proliferation of haemopoietic (blood forming) progenitor cells, and includes the acute and chronic leukaemias and the malignant lymphomas (non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and Hodgkin's disease);

"HIV infection" means serological evidence of infection with Human Immunodeficiency Virus, attracting an ICD code in the range 42 to 44;

"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;

"tuberculosis" means a chronic granulomatous disease with a variety of pulmonary and extrapulmonary manifestations, caused by a mycobacterium, and attracting ICD codes 010 to 018.

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2. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.47 of 1995 and section 120A of the Act apply.



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