

Amendment of Statement of Principles
concerning
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE

ICD CODES: 555, 556

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), Instrument No.144 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning inflammatory bowel disease), by:

1. omitting the definition of "relevant service" from paragraph 7, and replacing it with the following:

"relevant service" means:

- (a) operational service; or
- (b) peacekeeping service; or
- (c) hazardous service;

'ulcerative colitis' means a chronic inflammation of the gastrointestinal tract, which primarily affects the large bowel and is usually limited to the mucosa and submucosa, attracting ICD code 556."

2. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.144 of 1996 and section 120A of the Act apply.

Dated this *Ninth* day of *December* 1996

The Common Seal of the)
Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed to this instrument)
in the presence of:)

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN