Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

MALIGNANT NEOPLASM OF THE LUNG

ICD CODE: 162

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.29 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning malignant neoplasm of the lung) by:

1. omitting the factor from paragraph 5(c), and replacing it with the following:

“(c) in relation to a malignant neoplasm of the lung other than typical carcinoid tumour of the lung, immersion in an atmosphere with a visible tobacco smoke haze in an enclosed space for at least 20 hours per week for a period or periods of time totalling at least five years, (or for at least 5 200 hours, being the equivalent total time of exposure) before the clinical onset of malignant neoplasm of the lung; or”;

2. omitting the factor from paragraph 5(k), and replacing it with the following:

“(k) having been within four kilometres of the epicentre of the atomic bomb explosions on Hiroshima or Nagasaki within seven days of
the explosions on those cities, before the clinical onset of malignant neoplasm of the lung; or”;

3. omitting from paragraph 7 the definitions of “ICD code” and “ICD morphology code” and replacing them with the following:

“ICD code' means a number assigned to a particular kind of injury or disease in the Australian Version of The International Classification of Diseases, 9th revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM), effective date of 1 July 1996, copyrighted by the National Coding Centre, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Sydney, NSW, and having ISBN 0 642 24447 2;

'ICD morphology code' means a number assigned to the morphology of a particular neoplasm in Appendix A of the Australian Version of The International Classification of Diseases, 9th revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM), effective date of 1 July 1996, copyrighted by the National Coding Centre, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Sydney, NSW, and having ISBN 0 642 24447 2;”.

4. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.29 of 1996 and section 120A of the Act apply.

Dated this Twenty-sixth day of September 1996

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

KEN DONALD CHAIRMAN