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Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

CEREBROVASCULAR ACCIDENT

ICD CODES: 431, 433.01, 433.11, 433.21, 433.31, 433.81, 433.91, 434.01,
434.11, 434.91, 435, 436, 437.1, 674.0

Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(3)

The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986 (the Act), Instrument No.143 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning cerebrovascular accident), by:

1. omitting the factor “(za) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for cerebrovascular accident.” from paragraph 5, and replacing it with the following:

“(za) for intracerebral haemorrhage only, suffering from a head injury within the four weeks immediately before the clinical onset of cerebrovascular disease; or

(zb) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for cerebrovascular accident.”;

2. omitting the words “Paragraph 5(za)” from the beginning of paragraph 6, and replacing them with the following words:

“Paragraph 5(zb)”;
3. inserting after the definition of “DSM-IV” in paragraph 7, the following definition of “head injury”:

‘head injury' means a blunt or penetrating wound of the head which results directly from the impact of a blow to the head, or indirectly from acceleration or deceleration forces applied to the head, and which causes:

(i) closed or open fracture of the skull; or
(ii) concussion, loss of consciousness, or post-traumatic amnesia; or
(iii) cerebral laceration, contusion, or other intracranial injury,

attracting ICD code 800, 801, 803, 804, 850, 851, 853 or 854;”;

4. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.143 of 1996 and section 120B 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