

Amendment of Statement of Principles
concerning

ASTHMA

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
and
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

1. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Instrument No. 86 of 2001, by:
 - A. in paragraph 2, deleting sub-paragraph (b) and inserting in its place the following:

“(b) For the purposes of this Statement of Principles, “**asthma**” means a condition marked by increased responsiveness of the bronchi to various stimuli manifested by recurrent attacks of paroxysmal dyspnoea, with wheezing due to spasmodic contraction of the bronchi which characteristically responds rapidly to bronchodilators. The airflow obstruction may not be completely reversible. This definition includes chronic airway obstruction due to asthma, and reactive airways dysfunction syndrome.”
2. The amendment made by this instrument applies to all matters to which Instrument No. 86 of 2001, section 120B of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and section 339 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* apply.

Dated this *seventh* day of *October* 2004

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

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN