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Repatriation Medical Authority

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION – MULTIPLE CONDITIONS – INSTRUMENTS SUNSETTING ON 1 October 2029

Section 370CJ of the

Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) gives notice under section 370CJ of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (the MRCA) that it intends to investigate, under subsection 370CE of the MRCA, the Statements of Principles for the following conditions:

Condition:	**Instrument Nos.:**
acute rheumatic fever	53 & 54 of 2019
anal fissure	87 & 88 of 2019
conductive hearing loss	81 & 82 of 2019
dislocation of a joint and subluxation of a joint	55 & 56 of 2019
gout	59 & 60 of 2019
irritable bowel syndrome	65 & 66 of 2019
joint instability	57 & 58 of 2019
malignant neoplasm of the bladder	83 & 84 of 2019
Morton metatarsalgia	77 & 78 of 2019
obstructive and reflux nephropathy	85 & 86 of 2019
poisoning from plants or fungi	49 & 50 of 2019
posterior adventitial heel bursitis	47 & 48 of 2019
rapidly progressive crescentic glomerulonephritis	45 & 46 of 2019
renal stone disease	69 & 70 of 2019
rheumatic heart disease	51 & 52 of 2019
schistosomiasis	61 & 62 of 2019
strongyloidiasis	63 & 64 of 2019
subarachnoid haemorrhage	67 & 68 of 2019
varicocoele	79 & 80 of 2019

The Authority invites written submissions about any of these investigations from the following persons and organisations:

- a person eligible to make a claim for compensation under section 319 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (the MRCA);

- an organisation representing veterans, Australian mariners or members of the Forces (all within the meaning of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*);
- an organisation representing members or their dependants;
- the Commission; and
- a person having expertise in a field relevant to the investigation.

The Authority will hold its first meeting for the purposes of each of these investigations on **12 October 2027**.

Under the MRCA, the Authority is required to find out whether there is new information available about how the above listed conditions may be suffered or contracted, or death from the above listed conditions may occur; and the extent to which the above listed conditions or death from the above listed conditions may be war-caused, defence-caused, a service injury, a service disease or a service death.

Persons and organisations wishing to make a submission can use the RMA website http://www.rma.gov.au/investigations/ to electronically lodge the submission and supporting information. Alternatively, submissions can be sent by email to info@rma.gov.au or posted to the address below. The *RMA Submission Guidelines* are available online for guidance. The RMA Secretariat may be contacted at the address, telephone number or email address below for further assistance.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority no later than **21 September 2027**.

Dr Anthony Lynham AO
Chairperson
by and on behalf of
The Repatriation Medical Authority

23 October 2026