

REVOKED

Statement of Principles

concerning

CHRONIC MYELOID LEUKAEMIA

ICD CODE: 205.1

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

1. Being of the view that there is sound medical-scientific evidence that indicates that **chronic myeloid leukaemia** and **death from chronic myeloid leukaemia** can be related to operational service rendered by veterans, peacekeeping service rendered by members of Peacekeeping forces and hazardous service rendered by members of the Forces, the Repatriation Medical Authority determines, under subsection 196B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, that the factors that must as a minimum exist before it can be said that a reasonable hypothesis has been raised connecting **chronic myeloid leukaemia** or **death from chronic myeloid leukaemia** with the circumstances of that service, are:
 - (a) smoking 15 pack years of cigarettes before the clinical onset of chronic myeloid leukaemia, with at least some of that smoking being within the 10 years before the clinical onset of acute myeloid leukaemia; or
 - (b) being present within four kilometres of the epicentre of the atomic explosions on the cities of Hiroshima or Nagasaki within seven days of the explosions on those cities; or
 - (c) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for chronic myeloid leukaemia.
2. Subject to clause 3 (below) at least one of the factors set out in paragraphs **1(a) to 1(c)** must be related to any service rendered by a person.

