

Amendment of Statement of Principles  
concerning  
**INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE**

**ICD CODES: 555, 556**

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.145 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning inflammatory bowel disease), by:

1. omitting the definition of "relevant service" from paragraph 7, and replacing it with the following:

**"relevant service"** means:

- (a) eligible war service (other than operational service); or
- (b) defence service (other than hazardous service);

**'ulcerative colitis'** means a chronic inflammation of the gastrointestinal tract, which primarily affects the large bowel and is usually limited to the mucosa and submucosa, attracting ICD code 556."

2. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.145 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