



Australian Government
Repatriation Medical Authority

DECLARATION UNDER SUBSECTION 196B(9)
OF THE VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986

In relation to the Notice of Investigation in respect of spina bifida gazetted on 31 October 2012 in the Government Notices Gazette, the Repatriation Medical Authority states that it is revoking the existing Statements of Principles concerning spina bifida, namely Instrument Nos. 61 and 62 of 2007, determined pursuant to subsection 196B(2) or (3) of the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 (the Act), as the Authority is of the view that spina bifida does not have any factors which can be "related to service" as defined in subsection 196B(14) of the Act.

The Common Seal of the )
Repatriation Medical Authority )
was affixed at the direction of: )



PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO
CHAIRPERSON 1 / 5 / 2015