



Australian Government  
Repatriation Medical Authority

**NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION**

**Section 196G of the  
Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986**

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) gives notice under section 196G of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the VEA) that, pursuant to ss.196B(7A) of the VEA, as there are grounds for such a review it intends to carry out an investigation in respect of the following:

- a. **atomic radiation;**
  - b. **diagnostic radiation;**
  - c. **therapeutic radiation; and**
  - d. **exposure to sulphur mustard or nitrogen mustard**
- as factors in **malignant neoplasm of the colorectum.**

This investigation will be carried out in the context of Statements of Principles concerning **malignant neoplasm of the colorectum** (Instrument Nos. 1 & 2 of 2004).

The Authority invites the following persons and organisations to make written submissions to the Authority in respect of the investigation:

- a person eligible to make a claim for pension under Part II or Part IV of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*;
- 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, members of the Forces, members of the Peacekeeping Forces, members within the meaning of the MRCA, or their dependants;
- the Repatriation Commission or the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission; and
- a person having expertise in a field relevant to the investigation.

The Authority will hold its first meeting for the purposes of this investigation on **5 October 2010.**

Persons and organisations wishing to make a submission should obtain a copy of the *RMA Submission Guidelines* from the RMA website [[www.rma.gov.au](http://www.rma.gov.au)] or by contacting the RMA Secretariat at the address or telephone number below.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority at the address below no later than **1 October 2010.**

The Common Seal of the  
Repatriation Medical Authority  
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KEN DONALD  
CHAIRPERSON



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