



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 it intends to carry out investigations under section 196B(7) of the VEA to review the contents of Statements of Principles concerning the following:

Condition:	Instrument Nos.:
cirrhosis of the liver	107 & 108 of 2007, as amended
external bruise	109 & 110 of 2007
opisthorchiasis	111 & 112 of 2007
clonorchiasis	113 & 114 of 2007
sarcoidosis	115 & 116 of 2007
presbyopia	117 & 118 of 2007
otosclerosis	119 & 120 of 2007
malignant neoplasm of the urethra	1 of 2008, as amended, & 2 of 2008
cut, stab, abrasion and laceration	3 of 2008 & 4 of 2008, as amended
cholelithiasis	7 & 8 of 2008
diverticular disease of the colon	13 of 2008, as amended, & 14 of 2008
benign prostatic hyperplasia	19 & 20 of 2008
spasmodic torticollis	21 & 22 of 2008
polymyalgia rheumatica	23 & 24 of 2008
ascariasis	62 & 63 of 2008
hookworm disease	64 & 65 of 2008

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

- 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 each of these investigations on **29 September 2015**.

Under the VEA, 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 should obtain a copy of the *RMA Submission Guidelines* from the RMA website [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 **11 September 2015**.

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Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed at the direction of:)



PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO
CHAIRPERSON 01 / 05 / 2015