



**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.:
macular degeneration	13 of 2009, as amended, & 14 of 2009
cerebral meningioma	19 & 20 of 2009, as amended
malignant neoplasm of the cerebral meninges	21 & 22 of 2009, as amended
frostbite	23 & 24 of 2009
immersion foot	25 & 26 of 2009
bipolar disorder	27 & 28 of 2009
electrical injury	31 & 32 of 2009
Cushing's syndrome	33 & 34 of 2009
toxic maculopathy	39 & 40 of 2009
migraine	56 & 57 of 2009
influenza	58 & 59 of 2009
malaria	60 & 61 of 2009
bronchiolitis obliterans organising pneumonia	62 & 63 of 2009
systemic sclerosis	64 & 65 of 2009
localised sclerosis	66 & 67 of 2009
panic disorder	68 & 69 of 2009
malignant neoplasm of the ovary	70 & 71 of 2009, as amended
scrub typhus	72 & 73 of 2009
adrenal insufficiency	74 & 75 of 2009
hypopituitarism	76 & 77 of 2009, as amended
tension-type headache	1 & 2 of 2010
herpes simplex	3 & 4 of 2010
human immunodeficiency virus	5 & 6 of 2010
human T-cell lymphotropic virus type-1	7 & 8 of 2010

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Condition:	Instrument Nos.:
sinusitis	9 & 10 of 2010
osteoarthritis	13 & 14 of 2010, as amended
malignant neoplasm of the eye	15 & 16 of 2010
accidental hypothermia	17 & 18 of 2010

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 **7 February 2017**.

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 can use the RMA website [www.rma.gov.au/investigations/] to electronically lodge the submission and supporting information. Alternatively, submissions can be sent by email to info@rma.gov.au or posted to the address below. The *RMA Submission Guidelines* are available online for guidance. The RMA Secretariat may be contacted at the address, telephone number or email address below for further assistance.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority no later than **23 January 2017**.

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

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PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO
CHAIRPERSON

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