

Statement of Principles
concerning
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

ICD CODE: 331.0

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

1. Being of the view that there is sound medical-scientific evidence that indicates that **Alzheimer's disease** and **death from Alzheimer's disease** can be related to operational service rendered by veterans, peacekeeping service rendered by members of Peacekeeping Forces and hazardous service rendered by members of the Forces, the Repatriation Medical Authority determines, under subsection 196B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), that the factor that must as a minimum exist before it can be said that a reasonable hypothesis has been raised connecting **Alzheimer's disease** or **death from Alzheimer's disease** with the circumstances of that service, is:
 - (a) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for Alzheimer's disease.
2. Subject to clause 3 (below) the factor set out in paragraph **1(a)** must be related to any service rendered by a person.
3. The factor set out in paragraph **1(a)** applies only where:
 - (a) the person's **Alzheimer's disease** was suffered before a period, or part of a period, of service to which the factor is related; and

