

REVOKED

Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

ICD CODES: 164, 171, 176.1

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(3)

The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), Instrument No.76 of 1994 (Statement of Principles concerning soft tissue sarcoma) by:

1. omitting from the heading of the Instrument the words and numbers, "ICD CODE: 164.1, 171", and inserting in its place, "ICD CODES: 164, 171, 176.1";
2. inserting the following words "(other than operational service)" immediately after the words "eligible war service" and inserting the following words "(other than hazardous service)" immediately after the words "defence service" in paragraph 1.

NOTE: The effect of this amendment is that paragraph 1 of that instrument is as follows-

- “1. Being of the view that on the sound medical-scientific evidence available to the Repatriation Medical Authority, it is more probable than not that **soft tissue sarcoma** and **death from soft tissue sarcoma** can be related to eligible war service (other than operational service) rendered by veterans and defence service (other than hazardous service) rendered by members of the Forces, the Repatriation Medical Authority determines, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), that the factors that must exist before it can be said that, on the balance of probabilities, **soft tissue sarcoma** or **death from soft tissue sarcoma** is connected with the circumstances of that service, are:”;
3. omitting the definition of “soft tissue sarcoma” in paragraph 4, and inserting in its place the following definition:

“**soft tissue sarcoma**’ means a diverse group of malignant neoplasms of mesodermal origin which arise in the soft somatic tissues that occur within and between organs, attracting ICD codes 164, 171 or 176.1;”.

4. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.76 of 1994 and section 120B of the Act apply.

Dated this *First* day of *June* 1995

The Common Seal of the)
Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed to this instrument)
in the presence of)

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN