

REVOKED

Statement of Principles
concerning
ADENOCARCINOMA OF THE KIDNEY

ICD CODE: 189.0

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

1. Being of the view that there is sound medical-scientific evidence that indicates that **adenocarcinoma of the kidney and death from adenocarcinoma of the kidney** 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*, that the factors that must as a minimum exist before it can be said that a reasonable hypothesis has been raised connecting **adenocarcinoma of the kidney or death from adenocarcinoma of the kidney** with the circumstances of that service, are:

For clear cell carcinoma only,

- (a) being exposed to respirable asbestos fibres in an enclosed area at a time when such fibres were being applied, removed, dislodged, cut or drilled, before the clinical onset of adenocarcinoma of the kidney; or
 - (b) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for adenocarcinoma of the kidney.
2. Subject to clause 3 (below) at least one of the factors set out in paragraphs **1(a) to 1(b)** must be related to any service rendered by a person.

3. The factor set out in paragraph 1(b) applies only where:
- (a) the person’s **adenocarcinoma of the kidney** was suffered prior to a period, or part of a period, of service to which the factor is related; and
 - (b) the relationship suggested between the **adenocarcinoma of the kidney** and the particular service of a person is a relationship set out in paragraph 8(1)(e), 9(1)(e), 70(5)(d), or 70(5A)(d) of the Act.
4. For the purposes of this Statement of Principles:

“**adenocarcinoma of the kidney**” means a clear cell carcinoma arising from the renal tubular epithelium, attracting an ICD code of 189.0;

“**ICD code**” means a number assigned to a particular kind of injury or disease in the tenth edition of the *International Classification of Diseases* 9th Revision, effective date of 1 October 1993, copyrighted by the US Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities, and having the Library of Congress number 77-94472.

“**respirable asbestos fibre**” means asbestos fibres, mainly less than 3 micrometres in diameter and greater than 8 micrometers in length.

Dated this day of 1995

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

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN