

Amendment of Statement of Principles

concerning

POLYCYTHAEMIA VERA

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Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

1. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*, Instrument No.79 of 1999 by:
 - A. deleting clause 3 and inserting in its place the following clause:
 - “3. After examining the available sound medical-scientific evidence the Repatriation Medical Authority is of the view that it is more probable than not on the sound medical-scientific evidence available, that the only factor that can be related to the cause of or material contribution to or aggravation of **polycythaemia vera** or **death from polycythaemia vera** and which can be related to relevant service is that set out in clause 4.”
 - B. deleting clause 4 and inserting in its place the following clause:
 - “4. The factor that must exist before it can be said that, on the balance of probabilities, in relation to the circumstances of a person's relevant service causing or materially contributing to or aggravating **polycythaemia vera** or **death from polycythaemia vera** is inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for polycythaemia vera.”
 - C. deleting the headnotes to and clauses 5 and 6.
 - D. renumbering clauses 7, 8 and 9 as clauses 5, 6 and 7.

2. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.79 of 1999 and section 120B of the Act apply.

Dated this *Third* day of *January* 2001

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

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN