



**Australian Government**  
**Repatriation Medical Authority**

**Amendment Statement of Principles**  
**concerning**  
**ISCHAEMIC HEART DISEASE**  
**(Balance of Probabilities)**  
**(No. 56 of 2021)**

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The Repatriation Medical Authority determines the following Amendment Statement of Principles under subsections 196B(3) and (8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*.

Dated 23 April 2021

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

Professor Nicholas Saunders AO  
Chairperson

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## 1 Name

This is the Amendment Statement of Principles concerning *ischaemic heart disease (Balance of Probabilities)* (No. 56 of 2021).

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 24 May 2021.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsections 196B(3) and (8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*.

## 4 Amendment

The Statement of Principles concerning *ischaemic heart disease (Balance of Probabilities)* (No. 2 of 2016) (Federal Register of Legislation No. F2016L00003) is amended in the following manner:

Section	Amendment
9(33)	<i>Insert the following paragraph after paragraph 9(33)(k):</i> (ka) having infection with severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) within the 30 days before the clinical onset of ischaemic heart disease;
9(33)	<i>In the existing note to subsection 9(33), insert the numeral "2" after the word "Note".</i>
9(33)	<i>Insert the following note before the amended "Note 2":</i> Note 1: SARS-CoV-2 is the virus which causes coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
9(66)	<i>Insert the following paragraph after paragraph 9(66)(k):</i> (ka) having infection with severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) within the 30 days before the clinical worsening of ischaemic heart disease;
9(66)	<i>In the existing note to subsection 9(66), insert the numeral "2" after the word "Note".</i>
9(66)	<i>Insert the following note before the amended "Note 2":</i> Note 1: SARS-CoV-2 is the virus which causes coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).