



Australian Government
Repatriation Medical Authority

**NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION – MULTIPLE CONDITIONS –
INSTRUMENTS SUNSETTING ON 1 October 2026,**

Section 196G of the
Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) gives notice under section 196G of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the VEA) that it intends to carry out investigations under subsection 196B(7) of the VEA to review the contents of Statements of Principles concerning the following:

Condition:	Instrument Nos.:	Commenced:
Antiphospholipid syndrome	69 & 70 of 2016	26 September 2016
Barrett's oesophagus	67 & 68 of 2016	25 July 2016
Benign neoplasm of the eye and adnexa	41 & 42 of 2016	23 May 2016
Cholelithiasis	51 & 52 of 2016	23 May 2016
Clonorchiasis	47 & 48 of 2016	23 May 2016
Cut, stab, abrasion and laceration	53 & 54 of 2016	23 May 2016
Ganglion	71 & 72 of 2016	26 September 2016
Incisional hernia	73 & 74 of 2016	26 September 2016
Malignant neoplasm of the urethra	49 & 50 of 2016	23 May 2016
Opisthorchiasis	45 & 46 of 2016	23 May 2016
Optochiasmatic arachnoiditis	57 & 58 of 2016	23 May 2016
Otosclerosis	61 & 62 of 2016	25 July 2016
Parkinson's disease and secondary parkinsonism	55 & 56 of 2016	23 May 2016
Sarcoidosis	59 & 60 of 2016	25 July 2016
Scheuermann's disease	75 & 76 of 2016	26 September 2016
Spasmodic torticollis	63 & 64 of 2016	25 July 2016
Suicide and attempted suicide	65 & 66 of 2016	25 July 2016

The Authority invites the following persons and organisations to make written submissions to the Authority in respect of any of the investigations:

- a person eligible to make a claim for pension under Part II or Part IV of the VEA;
- a person eligible to make a claim for compensation under section 319 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (the MRCA);
- an organisation representing veterans, Australian mariners, members of the Forces, members of the Peacekeeping Forces, members within the meaning of the MRCA, or their dependants;

- the Repatriation Commission or the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission; and
- a person having expertise in a field relevant to the investigation.

The Authority will hold its first meeting for the purposes of each of these investigations on **6 August 2024**.

Under the VEA, the Authority is required to find out whether there is new information available about how the above listed conditions may be suffered or contracted, or death from the above listed conditions may occur; and the extent to which the above listed conditions or death from the above listed conditions may be war-caused, defence-caused, a service injury, a service disease or a service death.

Persons and organisations wishing to make a submission can use the RMA website <http://www.rma.gov.au/investigations/> to electronically lodge the submission and supporting information. Alternatively, submissions can be sent by email to info@rma.gov.au or posted to the address below. The *RMA Submission Guidelines* are available online for guidance. The RMA Secretariat may be contacted at the address, telephone number or email address below for further assistance.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority no later than **26 July 2024**.

By and on behalf of
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