



Australian Government  
Repatriation Medical Authority

Amendment Statement of Principles  
concerning

**DIABETES MELLITUS**

**No. 88 of 2014**

for the purposes of the

*Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*  
and

*Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*

1. This Instrument may be cited as Amendment Statement of Principles concerning diabetes mellitus No. 88 of 2014.
2. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Statement of Principles concerning diabetes mellitus Instrument No. 89 of 2011, by:
  - (A) Replacing factors "(b)(xii)", "(f)", "(j)(xii)" and "(n)" in clause 6 as follows:
    - "(b)(xii) having posttraumatic stress disorder, depressive disorder, bipolar disorder or schizophrenia at the time of the clinical onset of diabetes mellitus; or";
    - "(f) being treated with a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 1 at the time of the clinical onset of diabetes mellitus; or";
    - "(j)(xii) having posttraumatic stress disorder, depressive disorder, bipolar disorder or schizophrenia at the time of the clinical worsening of diabetes mellitus; or";
    - "(n) being treated with a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 1 at the time of the clinical worsening of diabetes mellitus; or";

- (B) Inserting new factor "(fa)" following factor "(f)" in clause 6 as follows:

"(fa) being treated with a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 3, which cannot be ceased or substituted, for at least the six weeks before the clinical onset of diabetes mellitus; or";

- (C) Inserting new factor "(na)" following factor "(n)" in clause 6 as follows:

"(na) being treated with a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 3, which cannot be ceased or substituted, for at least the six weeks before the clinical worsening of diabetes mellitus; or";

- (D) Inserting definitions of "a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 1" and "a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 3" in alphabetical order in clause 9 as follows:

**"a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 1"**  
means:

- (a) beta-blockers;
- (b) gonadotrophin-releasing hormone (GnRH) agonists;
- (c) nicotinic acid for the treatment of dyslipidaemia;
- (d) pentamidine;
- (e) protease inhibitors;
- (f) statins;
- (g) stavudine;
- (h) streptozotocin;
- (i) thiazide diuretics; or
- (j) zidovudine;';

**"a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from specified list 3"**  
means:

- (a) antidepressants;
- (b) chlorpromazine;
- (c) clozapine;
- (d) fluphenazine;
- (e) haloperidol;
- (f) levomepromazine;
- (g) olanzapine;
- (h) perphenazine;
- (i) quetiapine;
- (j) risperidone;
- (k) sertindole;
- (l) thioridazine;
- (m) ziprasidone;
- (n) zotepine; or
- (o) zuclopenthixol;';

- (E) Replacing the definition of "relevant service" in clause 9 as follows:
- "relevant service"** means:
- (a) operational service under the VEA;
  - (b) peacekeeping service under the VEA;
  - (c) hazardous service under the VEA;
  - (d) British nuclear test defence service under the VEA;
  - (e) warlike service under the MRCA; or
  - (f) non-warlike service under the MRCA;' and
- (F) Deleting the definition of "a drug or a drug from a class of drugs from the specified list" in clause 9.
3. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No. 89 of 2011, section 120A of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and section 338 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* apply.
4. The amendments made by this instrument take effect from 22 September 2014.

Dated this *twenty-second* day of *August* 2014

The Common Seal of the  
Repatriation Medical Authority  
was affixed at the direction of: )  
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