



Australian Government

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests (Treatment) Act 2006

Veterans' Affairs (Treatment Principles – Updating of RAP National Schedule of Equipment) Amendment Instrument 2016

Instrument 2016 No.R31/MRCC31

I, Dan Tehan, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, approve:

- (a) under subsection 90(5) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (VEA) and under subsection 16(7) of the *Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests (Treatment) Act 2006* (APBNT(T)A)— the variations by the Repatriation Commission of the *Treatment Principles* in the following instrument; and
- (b) under subsection 286(3) of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (MRCA) — the variations by the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission of the *MRCA Treatment Principles* in the following instrument.

Dated this 7th day of May 2016

Dan Tehan

DAN TEHAN

The Repatriation Commission makes, under subsection 90(4) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and subsection 16(6) of the *Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests (Treatment) Act 2006*, the variations to the Treatment Principles in the following instrument.

Dated this 5th day of May 2016

The Seal of the
Repatriation Commission)
was affixed hereto in the) SEAL
presence of:)

Simon Lewis

John Geary

Major General Mark Kelly

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SIMON LEWIS

JOHN GEARY

MAJOR GENERAL MARK KELLY

PRESIDENT

ACTING DEPUTY PRESIDENT

**AO DSC
COMMISSIONER**

The Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission makes, under subsection 286(2) of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*, the variations to the *MRCA Treatment Principles* in the following instrument.

Dated this 5th day of May 2016

The Seal of the
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission)
was affixed hereto in the) SEAL
presence of:)

Simon Lewis

John Geary

Major General Mark Kelly

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SIMON LEWIS

JOHN GEARY

MAJOR GENERAL MARK KELLY

CHAIR

ACTING MEMBER

**AO DSC
MEMBER**

Rear Admiral Brett Wolski

Jennifer Taylor

Air Vice - Marshal Tracy Smart

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REAR ADMIRAL BRETT WOLSKI

JENNIFER TAYLOR

AIR VICE-MARSHAL TRACY SMART

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MEMBER**

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Name

1. This instrument is the *Veterans' Affairs (Treatment Principles – Updating of RAP National Schedule of Equipment) Amendment Instrument 2016*.

Commencement

2. This instrument commences, or is taken to have commenced, on 1 June 2016.

Authority

3. This instrument is made under:
 - (a) subsection 90(4) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* in respect of the variations to the *Treatment Principles* in Schedule 1;
 - (b) subsection 286(2) of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* in respect of the variations to the *MRCA Treatment Principles* in Schedule 2; and
 - (c) subsection 16(6) of the *Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests (Treatment) Act 2006* in Schedule 3.

Schedules

4. Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is varied as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1

Variations to the Treatment Principles (Instrument 2013 No. R52)

1. Schedule 1

substitute:

SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS

The date for:

1. Notes for Local Medical Officers (paragraph 1.4.1);
2. Department of Veterans' Affairs Fee Schedules for Medical Services (paragraph 3.5.1);
3. Notes for Allied Health Providers (paragraphs 3.5.1 and 7.1A.1);
4. Optometrist Fees for Consultation (paragraph 3.5.1);
5. DVA Schedule of Fees Orthoptists (paragraph 3.5.1);
6. Pricing Schedule for visual aids (paragraph 3.5.1);
7. The fifth edition of the American Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (commonly known as DSM-5) (paragraph 2.4.2A);
8. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dentists and Dental Specialists (paragraph 3.5.1);
9. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dental Prosthetists (paragraph 3.5.1);
10. Chiropractors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
11. Diabetes Educators Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
12. Dietitians Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
13. Exercise Physiologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
14. Occupational Therapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
15. Osteopaths Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);

16. Physiotherapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
17. Psychologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
18. Podiatrists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
19. Social Workers Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
20. Clinical Counsellors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
21. Speech Pathologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
22. Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs Classification System and Schedule of Item Numbers and Fees — Community Nursing Services (paragraph 6A.4.2(b));
23. Notes for Coordinated Veterans' Care Program Providers (Part 6A);
24. Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) National Guidelines (paragraph 11.2A.1);
25. RAP National Schedule of Equipment (paragraph 11.2A.1);
26. Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Services (VVCS) Outreach Program Counsellors (OPC) Provider Notes (paragraph 1.4.1 and 7.1A.1);
27. Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service (VVCS) Outreach Program Counsellors (OPC) Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
28. General information about VVCS – Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service (paragraph 1.4.1);
29. Better Access to Psychiatrists, Psychologists & General Practitioners through the Medical Benefits Schedule Initiative
<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/mentalhealth/publishing.nsf/Content/better-access-through-mbs-1>;
30. Gold Card (paragraph 1.4.1);
31. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1)

is 1 June 2016.

Schedule 2

Variations to the MRCA Treatment Principles (Instrument 2013 No. MRCC53)

1. Schedule 1

substitute:

SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS
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The date for:

1. Notes for Local Medical Officers (paragraph 1.4.1);
2. Department of Veterans' Affairs Fee Schedules for Medical Services (paragraph 3.5.1);
3. Notes for Allied Health Providers (paragraphs 3.5.1 and 7.1A.1);
4. Optometrist Fees for Consultation (paragraph 3.5.1);
5. DVA Schedule of Fees Orthoptists (paragraph 3.5.1);
6. Pricing Schedule for visual aids (paragraph 3.5.1);
7. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dentists and Dental Specialists (paragraph 3.5.1);
8. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dental Prosthetists (paragraph 3.5.1);
9. Chiropractors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
10. Diabetes Educators Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
11. Dietitians Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
12. Exercise Physiologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
13. Occupational Therapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
14. Osteopaths Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
15. Physiotherapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);

16. Psychologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
17. Podiatrists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
18. Social Workers Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
19. Clinical Counsellors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
20. Speech Pathologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
21. Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs Classification System and Schedule of Item Numbers and Fees — Community Nursing Services (paragraph 6A.4.2(b));
22. Notes for Coordinated Veterans' Care Program Providers (Part 6A);
23. Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) National Guidelines (paragraph 11.2A.1);
24. RAP National Schedule of Equipment (paragraph 11.2A.1);
25. Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Services (VVCS) Outreach Program Counsellors (OPC) Provider Notes (paragraph 1.4.1 and 7.1A.1);
26. Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service (VVCS) Outreach Program Counsellors (OPC) Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
27. General information about VVCS – Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service (paragraph 1.4.1);
28. Better Access to Psychiatrists, Psychologists & General Practitioners through the Medical Benefits Schedule Initiative:
<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/mentalhealth/publishing.nsf/Content/better-access-through-mbs-1>;
29. Gold Card (paragraph 1.4.1);
30. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1)

is 1 June 2016.

Schedule 3

Variations to the Treatment Principles (Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests) 2006 (Instrument 2013 No. R54)

1. Schedule 1

substitute:

SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS
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The date for:

1. Notes for Local Medical Officers (paragraph 1.4.1);
2. Department of Veterans' Affairs Fee Schedules for Medical Services (paragraph 3.5.1);
3. Notes for Allied Health Providers (paragraphs 3.5.1 and 7.1A.1);
4. Optometrist Fees for Consultation (paragraph 3.5.1);
5. DVA Schedule of Fees Orthoptists (paragraph 3.5.1);
6. Pricing Schedule for Visual Aids (paragraph 3.5.1);
7. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dentists and Dental Specialists (paragraph 3.5.1);
8. Fee Schedule of Dental Services for Dental Prosthetists (paragraph 3.5.1);
9. Chiropractors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
10. Diabetes Educators Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
11. Dietitians Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
12. Exercise Physiologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
13. Occupational Therapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
14. Osteopaths Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
15. Physiotherapists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);

16. Psychologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
17. Podiatrists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
18. Social Workers Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
19. Clinical Counsellors Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
20. Speech Pathologists Schedule of Fees (paragraph 3.5.1);
21. Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs Classification System and Schedule of Item Numbers and Fees — Community Nursing Services;
22. Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) National Guidelines (paragraph 11.2A.1);
23. RAP National Schedule of Equipment (paragraph 11.2A.1);
24. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1)

is 1 June 2016.