



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 2017**

Instrument 2017 No.R1/MRCC1

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 13th day of March 2017

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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2017

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

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Simon Lewis

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**SIMON LEWIS**

**CRAIG ORME**

**MAJOR GENERAL MARK KELLY**

**PRESIDENT**

**DSC AM CSC  
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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2017

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

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**REAR ADMIRAL BRETT WOLSKI**

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MEMBER**

## **Name**

1. This instrument is the *Veterans' Affairs (Treatment Principles – Updating of RAP National Schedule of Equipment) Amendment Instrument 2017*.

## **Commencement**

2. This instrument commences on 1 April 2017.

## **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 respect of the variations to the modifications of the *Treatment Principles* made for that Act, 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:*

<b>SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS</b>
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The following documents are incorporated-by-reference into the *Treatment Principles* in the form in which they exist on 1 April 2017:

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. DVA Community Nursing Schedule of Fees (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
30. Gold Card (paragraph 1.4.1);
31. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1).

## Schedule 2

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

#### 1. Schedule 1

*substitute:*

<b>SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS</b>
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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);
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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. DVA Community Nursing Schedule of Fees (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:
29. Gold Card (paragraph 1.4.1);
30. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1).

## Schedule 3

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

#### **1. Item 59 - Schedule 1**

*substitute:*

<b>SCHEDULE 1 DATES FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS</b>
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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. Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) National Guidelines (paragraph 11.2A.1);
22. RAP National Schedule of Equipment (paragraph 11.2A.1);
23. White Card (paragraph 1.4.1).