

**DECLARATION UNDER SUBSECTION 196B(6)**

**OF THE *VETERANS’ ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986***

**CONCERNING NEW DAILY PERSISTENT HEADACHE**

**FEBRUARY 2024**

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority), under subsection 196B(6) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), makes the following declaration in respect of the investigation concerning **new daily persistent headache** notified in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of 22 November 2023.

The Authority declares that it does not propose to make a Statement of Principles concerning new daily persistent headache, for the purposes of subsection 196B(2) or (3) of the Act. The reason is that the Authority is of the view that the sound medical and scientific evidence is insufficient to enable the Authority to determine the causation of new daily persistent headache either on the basis of reasonable hypothesis or balance of probability. The sound medical and scientific evidence is therefore insufficient in order to determine Statements of Principles for new daily persistent headache.

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| The Common Seal of the )  Repatriation Medical Authority )  was affixed at the direction of: ) |  |
|  | PROFESSOR TERENCE CAMPBELL AM CHAIRPERSON 9 February 2024 |