

Amendment Statement of Principles  
concerning  
**SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS**  
**No. 41 of 2009**

for the purposes of the  
*Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*  
and  
*Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*

1. This Instrument may be cited as Statement of Principles concerning systemic lupus erythematosus No. 41 of 2009.
2. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Statement of Principles concerning systemic lupus erythematosus No. 85 of 2007 by:
  - (A) Replacing existing factor "(a)" in clause 6 with the following:
    - "(a) inhaling respirable crystalline silica dust, at the time material containing crystalline silica was being:
      - (i) produced;
      - (ii) excavated;
      - (iii) drilled, cut or ground; or
      - (iv) used in construction, manufacturing, cleaning or blasting,for a cumulative period of at least 2000 hours before the clinical onset of systemic lupus erythematosus; or";
  - (B) Replacing existing factor "(e)" in clause 6 with the following:
    - "(e) inhaling respirable crystalline silica dust, at the time material containing crystalline silica was being:
      - (i) produced;
      - (ii) excavated;
      - (iii) drilled, cut or ground; or

(iv) used in construction, manufacturing, cleaning or blasting,

for a cumulative period of at least 2000 hours before the clinical worsening of systemic lupus erythematosus; or";

(C) Inserting a new factor "(da)" immediately following factor "(d)" in clause 6 as follows:

"(da) being exposed to sunlight or ultraviolet light at a level sufficient to induce sunburn at least 24 hours, but not more than two months, before the clinical onset of systemic lupus erythematosus; or"; and

(D) Inserting a new factor "(ia)" immediately following factor "(i)" in clause 6 as follows:

"(ia) being exposed to sunlight or ultraviolet light at a level sufficient to induce sunburn at least 24 hours, but not more than two months, before the clinical worsening of systemic lupus erythematosus; or".

3. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No. 85 of 2007, section 120A of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and section 338 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* apply.

4. The amendment made by this instrument takes effect from 1 July 2009.

Dated this **nineteenth** day of  
**June** 2009

The Common Seal of the )  
Repatriation Medical Authority )  
was affixed to this instrument )  
in the presence of )

KEN DONALD  
CHAIRPERSON