



## **Veterans' Entitlements (Health and Wellbeing Program) Determination 2025**

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I, Luke Brown, a delegate of the Repatriation Commission, make the following instrument.

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# Part 1—Preliminary

## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Veterans' Entitlements (Health and Wellbeing Program) Determination 2025*.

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after the day it is registered.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsections 88A(1) and (2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*.

## 4 Definitions

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the Act, including the following:

- (a) Commission (see section 5A);
- (b) operational service (see sections 6 to 6F);
- (c) peacekeeping service (see subsection 68(1));
- (d) veteran (see paragraph 80(2)(c)).

In this instrument:

***health and wellbeing program*** means a 12-month program:

- (a) to improve or maintain an individual's physical or mental health or social wellbeing; and
- (b) that includes:
  - (i) regular fitness training supervised by appropriately qualified individuals; and
  - (ii) education about cardiovascular health; and
- (c) run by or for the Commission.

## 5 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

## Part 2—Specified classes and kind of treatment

### 6 Veterans in specified class eligible for health and wellbeing program

- (1) For paragraph 88A(1)(a) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, a specified class is a class made up of veterans:
  - (a) who have rendered:
    - (i) operational service; or
    - (ii) peacekeeping service; and
  - (b) if any of the veterans has participated in a health and wellbeing program—who the Commission determines should participate in the program again in all the circumstances.
- (2) A health and wellbeing program is specified as a kind of treatment for a veteran in the specified class.

### 7 Members in specified class eligible for health and wellbeing program

- (1) For paragraph 88A(1)(d) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, a specified class is a class made up of members:
  - (a) who are entitled to be provided treatment under the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*, Part 3 because of that Act, section 279; and
  - (b) if any of the members has participated in a health and wellbeing program—who the Commission determines should participate in the program again in all the circumstances.
- (2) A health and wellbeing program is specified as a kind of treatment for a member in the specified class.
- (3) In this section:

**member**—see the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*, subsection 5(1).

# Schedule 1—Amendments

## *Veterans' Entitlements (Point Cook Firefighters) Determination 2021*

### 1 Section 4, definition of *firefighter*

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### 2 Section 4

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***health and wellbeing program*** means a 12-month program:

- (a) to improve or maintain an individual's physical or mental health or social wellbeing; and
- (b) that includes:
  - (i) regular fitness training supervised by appropriately qualified individuals; and
  - (ii) education about cardiovascular health; and
- (c) run by or for the Commission.

***Point Cook firefighter*** means a person who, at the RAAF Base Point Cook between 1 January 1957 and 31 December 1986:

- (a) served as a firefighter; or
- (b) participated in a firefighter training course; or
- (c) was an instructor of a firefighter training course.

### 3 Section 5

*substitute*

### 5 Specified kinds of treatment for Point Cook firefighters

- (1) For paragraph 88A(1)(d) of the Act, a specified class is made up of:
  - (a) Point Cook firefighters; and
  - (b) if any of the firefighters has participated in a health and wellbeing program—the firefighters who the Commission determines should participate in the program again in all the circumstances.
- (2) Treatment of the following kinds is specified for a person in the class of people:
  - (a) a health and wellbeing program;
  - (b) colorectal cancer screening, by:
    - (i) a faecal occult blood test; or
    - (ii) a colonoscopy;
  - (c) melanoma screening, by any 1 or more of the following means:
    - (i) an examination by a general medical practitioner;
    - (ii) dermoscopy or dermatoscopy;
    - (iii) total body digital photography.