

Amendment of Statement of Principles  
concerning  
**MALIGNANT NEOPLASM OF THE SMALL  
INTESTINE**

**ICD CODE: 152**

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

1. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(3) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), Instrument No.154 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning malignant neoplasm of the small intestine), by:

- A. omitting the definition of "malignant neoplasm of the small intestine" in paragraph 2(b) and replacing it with the following:

"(b) For the purposes of this Statement of Principles **'malignant neoplasm of the small intestine'** means a primary malignant neoplasm arising from the cells of the small intestine, attracting ICD code 152, but excluding soft tissue sarcoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and Hodgkin's disease. The small intestine is defined as the proximal portion of the intestine comprising the duodenum, jejunum and ileum, extending from, but excluding, the pyloric opening of the stomach to, and excluding, the ileocaecal junction.

Note to user (this note does not form part of this instrument):

If soft tissue sarcoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma or Hodgkin's disease of the small intestine is claimed, reference is to be made to the relevant Statement of Principles for that disease."

2. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.154 of 1996 and section 120B of the Act apply.

Dated this *Twenty-second* day of *January*  
1998

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

KEN DONALD  
CHAIRMAN