



Australian Government

Department of Veterans' Affairs

Autonomic Neuropathy Sleep Apnoea

The information you provide on this form will assist in deciding eligibility for benefits under the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 and/or Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004. In the event of an appeal against a decision, this information may be provided to the Veterans' Review Board, Administrative Appeals Tribunal or Federal Court.

Veteran's Details

Surname

Given Names

DVA File Number

Report Detail

A claim for service related compensation in respect of the above named leads the Department to consider whether autonomic neuropathy could be relevant to the development of sleep apnoea in this case. The Repatriation Medical Authority has defined autonomic neuropathy as "a disease involving the autonomic nervous system, affecting mostly the internal organs such as the bladder, the cardiovascular system, the digestive tract, and the genital organs, and which is also known as visceral neuropathy".

Would you please answer the following questions:

1. When was the clinical onset of sleep apnoea?...../...../.....

2. Has the veteran ever had autonomic neuropathy?

No - Please sign the form and return it to the Department

Yes - Please indicate the date of onset, site/s affected, and details of any underlying causes.

Date of onset	Site/s affected	Underlying cause/s
...../...../.....		

3. Has the sleep apnoea ever permanently worsened? **Note:** For the purposes of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act* (1986), permanent worsening requires an increase in the gravity of the disease beyond its natural progression. It excludes temporary exacerbations or any deterioration which is part of the normal course of the disease.

No - Please sign the form and return it to the Department

Yes - When did this occur?/...../.....

Details of Medical Practitioner providing advice:

Stamp

Signature

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