



Australian Government
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Businessline

Action Required: For Client Benefits staff information and awareness of extension to
Provisional Access to Medical Treatment

To:

Client Benefits Division all staff
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For information:

First Assistant Secretaries
Deputy Commissioners
Assistant Secretaries

SUBJECT: Extension of Provisional Access to Medical Treatment (PAMT).

Purpose: To advise business areas PAMT has been extended to 30 June 2026.

Key Points:

- The Repatriation Commission has approved the *Veterans' Entitlements (Provisional Access to Medical Treatment) Amendment Determination 2024*.
- PAMT has been extended to end 30 June 2026. Eligible clients who register a liability claim under either the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988* (DRCA) or *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (MRCA) before this date can receive treatment under the program until 31 December 2026.

Background:

DVA established PAMT in 2017 to enable clients to receive free medical treatment for certain conditions while their claim is being processed. PAMT will remain open to eligible clients who submit a claim, under the DRCA or MRCA, by 30 June 2026.

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