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Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme – new listings and price amendments

The Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme will include new minor listings and price variations for items exclusively available to veterans, war widows/ers and eligible dependants.

Why is this important?

The new items and price variations ensure that veterans, war widows/ers and eligible dependants can continue to access medicines and wound care items to meet their health care needs.

Who will benefit?

Veterans, war widows/ers and eligible dependents who access medications under the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme will benefit from these new listings and price variations.

The new listings are for additional generic brands for the treatment of sun spots, insomnia, low bone density, diarrhoea, and oral candida. There is also a number of routine price variations to existing items on the Schedule.

Veterans, war widows/ers and eligible dependants will also benefit from new and amended items being listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme administered by the Department of Health.

Date of effect?

The new items and price variations will take effect from 1 July 2017.

How much will this cost?

This represents expenditure of \$0.55 million over four years.