

Increased travel allowances

Travel allowances for transport, meals and accommodation under DVA's Repatriation Transport Scheme increased from 1 July 2016 in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The intention of the Scheme is to provide financial assistance with travelling expenses for an entitled person and their medically required attendant, not necessarily to reimburse the entire cost incurred. To claim reimbursement for transport a cost must be incurred. To receive the maximum

benefit you should travel to your closest practical health provider.

Holders of a Gold or White Card, eligible under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (VEA), are entitled to assistance towards travelling expenses when attending approved treatment.

The increases apply to travel by private vehicle, as well as accommodation and meal allowances, in respect of travel for treatment purposes or disability and income support

claims for all eligible veterans, war widow and widowers (entitled persons).

For any queries about travel allowances contact Veterans' Transport Services on 1300 550 454 (for metropolitan areas) or 1800 550 454 (for country areas).

Further information is available on DVA's factsheet HSV02 – *Claiming Traveling Expenses Under the Repatriation Transport Scheme* which is available online at www.dva.gov.au/factsheets

TYPE OF ALLOWANCE	MEASURE	NEW ALLOWANCE 1 JULY 2016	TRAVEL WITH A MEDICALLY REQUIRED ATTENDANT
PRIVATE VEHICLE	PER KILOMETRE	34.1¢	X1
PUBLIC TRANSPORT	ACTUAL FARE	ACTUAL FARE	X2
COMMERCIAL ACCOMMODATION NON CAPITAL CITY – SINGLE#	PER NIGHT	\$140.90	X2
COMMERCIAL ACCOMMODATION CAPITAL CITY – SINGLE#	PER NIGHT	\$167.40	X2
ATTENDANT AND VETERAN SHARING COMMERCIAL ACCOMMODATION – SHARED	PER NIGHT	\$229.20	X1
SUBSIDISED ACCOMMODATION – SINGLE#	PER NIGHT	\$88.00	X2
PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION – SINGLE#	PER NIGHT	\$44.00	X2
MEAL ALLOWANCE – MORE THAN 50KM BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 200KM FROM YOUR HOME TO THE TREATMENT LOCATION	PER DAY	\$14.00	X2
MEAL ALLOWANCE – MORE THAN 200KM FROM YOUR HOME TO THE TREATMENT LOCATION	PER DAY	\$28.40	X2

All accommodation allowances include a daily meal allowance.

A meal allowance is not paid on a day where an accommodation allowance is paid.