

# Operational Working Party October 2025

### **Operational Working Party Meeting**

The Operational Working Party (OWP) met virtually on Tuesday 2 October 2025.

#### **DVA Critical Initiatives**

#### Legislative Reform Transition Process - General Update

Members noted the update on legislation reform implementation.

## Proposed Advocate Training Modules: Rehabilitation, Household Services and Attendant Care, Family Supports and Offsetting

The Operational Working Party were provided with 3 advocate training modules regarding the impact of the Veterans' Entitlements, Treatment and Support (Simplification and Harmonisation) Act 2025 (VETS Act).

These modules covered Rehabilitation, Household Services and Attendant Care programs, Family Supports and Offsetting. The modules will be provided to the Institute of Veterans' Advocacy and will form part of a broader suite of training materials for the Advocacy Training and Development Program, ensuring advocates' awareness and to better assist their veteran clients ahead of the legislative reforms that will come into effect on 1 July 2026.

#### **Other Business**

The following items were discussed under Other Business:

- Members requested that an update on mTBI be provided as a standard item to the forum moving forward.
- The Royal Australian Regiment Corporation representative proposed OWP undergo a comprehensive review of its role with the establishment of the Veterans' Wellbeing Agency, ESO National Peak Body and the Institute of Veterans' Advocacy. The Chair agreed to consider the proposal.