Australian Government
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Minister for Veterans' Affairs
The Hon Matt Keogh MP

Special Envoy
Luke Gosling OAM MP

Organisation Structure | effective 2 February 2026

Secretary
Alison Frame

Chief Operating Officer
Deputy Secretary
Brenton Philp

- **Chief People Officer** — First Assistant Secretary — **Katrina Jocumsen**
  - **Integrity, Security & Property** — Assistant Secretary — **Rodger McNally**
  - **People Services** — Assistant Secretary — **Abby Whiting**
- **Technology, Digital & Data** — First Assistant Secretary — **Alexander Caroly**
  - **Digital Strategy and Planning** — Assistant Secretary — **Terri Dreyer**
  - **Technology Operations** — Assistant Secretary — **Kellie Sheriff**
  - **Data & Insights** — Chief Data Officer — **Alicja Mosbauer**
- **Legal & Audit** — Chief Counsel & CAE — **Petra Gartmann**
  - **Information Law** — General Counsel — **Christina Raymond**
  - **Corporate Legal & Audit** — General Counsel — **Milli Wong**
  - **Dispute Resolution** — General Counsel — **Allyson Martin**
    - **Legal Advice & Legislation** — General Counsel — **Laura Winkler** — *Frank White**
- **Finance & Portfolio** — First Assistant Secretary — **David Pullen**
  - **Finance & Procurement** — Chief Financial Officer — **Nick Stanton**
  - **Portfolio Management** — Assistant Secretary — **Sally Dennington**
  - **Housing Programs & Approved Accounts** — Assistant Secretary — **Wayne Perry**

Veteran, Family & Stakeholder Experience
Deputy Secretary
Alison McLaren

- **Women Veterans' Strategy** — First Assistant Secretary — **Chantelle Stratford PSM**
- **Coordinated Client Support** — Assistant Secretary — **Donna Thomas**
- **Ministerial Engagement & Communications** — First Assistant Secretary — **Vacant** — *Debbie Arnold**
  - **Ministerial, International & Stakeholder Relations** — Assistant Secretary — **Amanda Conroy**
  - **Communications** — Assistant Secretary — **Ingrid Nagy**
  - **Client and Information Access** — Assistant Secretary — **Joumana El Hassan**
- Director, Office of Australian War Graves — **Wade Stothart AO DSC CSC**
- **Open Arms - Veterans & Families Counselling** — First Assistant Secretary — **Leonie Nowland**
  - **Clinical Operations** — Assistant Secretary — **Michael Burvill**
  - **Business Operations** — Assistant Secretary — **Amanda Harmer**
  - **Clinical Governance & Programs** — Senior Director — **Brook Shearer**
- **Veteran Experience & Transition** — First Assistant Secretary — **Paula Goodwin**
  - **Commemorations** — Assistant Secretary — **Sarah Kennedy**
  - **Grants & Hubs** — Assistant Secretary — **Jane Stuart**
  - **Transition** — Assistant Secretary — **Susan Pullar**

Taskforce on Wellbeing Agency and Peak Body
Deputy Secretary
Teena Blewitt PSM

- Deputy President — **Mark Brewer AM CSC / Bar**
- Assistant Secretary — **Kerry Neall**
- Assistant Secretary — **Ally Foat**

Policy & Programs
Deputy Secretary
Andrew Kefford PSM

- **Policy & Research** — First Assistant Secretary — **Luke Brown**
  - **Benefits Policy** — Assistant Secretary — **Adam Weiderman** — *Sophie Gribbin**
  - **Health & Wellbeing Policy** — Assistant Secretary — **Cath Haffner**
  - **Research, Evaluation & Privacy Assurance** — Assistant Secretary — **Ally Foat** — *Elaine Tse**
- **Client Benefits** — First Assistant Secretary — **Tara Cavanagh** — *Michael Harper**
  - **Pensions & Payments** — Assistant Secretary — **Ben Dalton**
  - **Initial Liability** — Assistant Secretary — **Michael Harper** — *Simon Adler**
  - **Permanent Impairment** — Assistant Secretary — **Samantha Patuto**
    - **Program Management** — Assistant Secretary — **Tara Hatzismalis**
- **Program Delivery** — First Assistant Secretary — **Peta Langeveld** — Tara Cavanagh*
  - **Home & Community Care** — Assistant Secretary — **Dylan Kurtz** — *Jennifer Buckler**
  - **Rehabilitation & Families** — Assistant Secretary — **Kerrie Martain**
  - **Health Programs & Services** — Assistant Secretary — **Simon Hill**
- **Provider Integrity Division** — First Assistant Secretary — **Anthony Coles**

- **Chief Psychiatrist** — Medical Officer — **Dr Jonathan Lane**
- **Chief Health Officer** — Medical Officer — **Dr Steph Davis**
  - **Deputy Chief Health Officer** — Medical Officer — **Dr Anna Colwell**
  - **Principal Medical Adviser - Compensation** — Medical Officer — **Dr Fletcher Davies**
- **Royal Commission Implementation Lead** — First Assistant Secretary — *Debbie Arnold**

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Deputy Commissioner QLD Tara Hatzismalis	**Deputy Commissioner VIC** Michael Harper	**Deputy Commissioner SA** Jennifer Buckler	**Deputy Commissioner TAS** Sally Dennington
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Repatriation Commisssion

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Veterans' Review Board

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Key

- Deputy Secretary
- First Assistant Secretary Level
- Assistant Secretary Level
- Statutory Appointment
- Deputy Commissioner
- Non-SES
- Medical Officer

* *denotes acting* (in italics)
* denotes acting at level (no italics)
^ denotes job share arrangement
Temporary business unit