

**Veterans' Affairs portfolio appointments and vacancies in the period  
17 September 2025 – 12 January 2026**

**APPOINTMENTS—Veterans' Affairs portfolio**

<b>Commonwealth body</b>	<b>Appointment</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Total remuneration</b>	<b>State/ Territory of Permanent Residence</b>
Director of the Office of Australian War Graves	Major General Wade Bradley Stothart AO DSC CSC (Retd), Director	02/10/2025-10/10/2028	\$313,870 per year	Australian Capital Territory
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission	Mr Colin Radford, Acting Member	17/11/2025-16/02/2026	Nil	Victoria
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission	Rear Admiral Sonya Maree Bennett AM RAN, Member	18/09/2025-30/06/2026	Nil	Australian Capital Territory
Australian War Memorial Council	Mr Kim Beazley, Member	01/12/2025-30/11/2028	\$89,680 per year	Western Australia
Australian War Memorial Council	Ms Lesley Alway, Member	07/11/2025-6/11/2028	\$44,850 per year	Victoria
Australian War Memorial Council	Ms Sharon Bown, Member	07/11/2025-06/11/2028	\$44,850 per year	Queensland
Australian War Memorial Council	Mr Peter Tinley AM, Member	07/11/2025-06/11/2028	\$44,850 per year	Western Australia
Australian War Memorial Council	Major General Wade Bradley Stothart AO DSC CSC (Retd), Member	07/11/2025-06/11/2028	Nil	Australian Capital Territory
Repatriation Medical Authority	Professor Gerard Byrne (BSc(Med), MBBS (Hons), PhD, FRANZCP)	01/01/2026 – 31/12/2030	\$44,510 per year \$1,192 daily fee	Queensland
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Dr Andrew Khoo, Chair	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$1,175 daily fee	Queensland
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Dr Karen Bird, Deputy Chair	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	Queensland

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Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Mr Max Ball, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	Tasmania
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Mr Dave Farrell, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	Victoria
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Ms Megan Fry, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	Queensland
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Ms Lidia Hall, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	South Australia
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Dr Richard Magtengaard, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$1,163 daily fee	Western Australia
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Adj. Professor Dr Brad Murphy, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$959 daily fee	Queensland
Open Arms National Advisory Committee	Ms Jane Pool, Member	01/01/2026-31/03/2026	\$448 daily fee	South Australia

#### **VACANCIES—Veterans’ Affairs portfolio**

<b>Commonwealth body</b>	<b>Position (vacancy)</b>
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission	One Member
Veteran Employment Advisory Committee	3 Members
Repatriation Medical Authority	One Member

**Note:** the above appointments do not include acting appointments of less than 3 months, or ex-officio appointments.