Australian Government
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Minister for Veterans' Affairs
The Hon Matt Keogh MP

Organisation Structure | effective 7 September 2026

Secretary
Alison Frame

Chief Operating Officer
Deputy Secretary
Brenton Philp

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

Veteran, Family & Stakeholder Experience
Deputy Secretary
Alison McLaren

- **Women Veterans' Strategy** — First Assistant Secretary, **Chantelle Stratford PSM**
  - Assistant Secretary, **Mark Brewer**
- **Ministerial Engagement & Communications** — First Assistant Secretary, **Debbie Arnold**
  - **Ministerial, International & Stakeholder Relations** — Assistant Secretary, **Amanda Conroy**
  - **Communications** — Assistant Secretary, **Ingrid Nagy**
  - **Client and Information Access** — Assistant Secretary, **Joumana El Hassan**
    - **Customer Contact Management Project** — Assistant Secretary, **Kellie Sheriff**
- **Open Arms - Veterans & Families Counselling** — First Assistant Secretary, **Leonie Nowland**
  - **Clinical Operations** — Assistant Secretary, Michael Burvill, ***Brook Shearer****
  - **Business Operations** — Assistant Secretary, Amanda Harmer, ***Kerry McKenna****
  - **Clinical Governance & Programs** — Senior Director, Brook Shearer, ***Melinda Benson****
- **Veteran Experience & Commemorations** — First Assistant Secretary, Vacant, ***Abby Whiting****
  - **Commemorations** — Assistant Secretary, **Sarah Kennedy**
  - **Grants & Hubs** — Assistant Secretary, **Jane Stuart**
  - **Coordinated Client Support** — Assistant Secretary, **Donna Thomas**
    - **Peak Body** — Assistant Secretary, **Kirrily Rashford**
- Director, Office of Australian War Graves, **Wade Stothart AO DSC CSC**

Deputy Commissioners

- **Deputy Commissioner QLD** — **Tara Hatzismalis**
- **Deputy Commissioner VIC** — Michael Harper, ***Simon Adler****
- **Deputy Commissioner SA** — **Jennifer Buckler**
- **Deputy Commissioner TAS** — **Sally Dennington**
- **Deputy Commissioner WA** — Samantha Patuto, **Ange Metschke***
- **Deputy Commissioner NSW/ACT** — Katrina Jocumsen, ***Michael Harper****
- **Deputy Commissioner NT** — **Kacie Austin**

Veteran and Family Wellbeing Agency
Chief Executive
Brendan Cox

- **Deputy Chief Executive** — **Paula Goodwin**
  - **Programs and Business Operations** — Assistant Secretary, **Dylan Kurtz**
  - **Transition Service Delivery** — Assistant Secretary, **Susan Pullar**
  - **Implementation** — Assistant Secretary, ***Kerry Neall****

Policy & Programs
Deputy Secretary
Andrew Kefford PSM

- **Policy & Research** — First Assistant Secretary, **Luke Brown**
  - **Benefits Policy** — Assistant Secretary, **Helen Sykes***
  - **Health & Wellbeing Policy** — Assistant Secretary, **Cath Haffner**
- **Client Benefits** — First Assistant Secretary, Tara Cavanagh, ***Samantha Patuto****
  - **Pensions & Payments** — Assistant Secretary, **Ben Dalton**
  - **Initial Liability** — Assistant Secretary, Michael Harper, ***Simon Adler****
  - **Permanent Impairment** — Assistant Secretary, Samantha Patuto, ***Ange Metschke****
    - **Program Management** — Assistant Secretary, **Tara Hatzismalis**
- **Program Delivery** — First Assistant Secretary, Peta Langeveld, **Tara Cavanagh***
  - **Home & Community Care** — Assistant Secretary, Vacant, ***Jennifer Buckler****
  - **Rehabilitation & Families** — Assistant Secretary, **Kerrie Martain**
  - **Health Programs & Services** — Assistant Secretary, **Simon Hill**
- **Provider Integrity Division** — First Assistant Secretary, **Anthony Coles**
  - **Integrity Capability** — Assistant Secretary, ***Sally Bradford***
  - **Integrity Operations** — Assistant Secretary, ***Marc Roberts****
- **Enhanced Access & Treatment** — First Assisant Secretary, **Peta Langeveld**
- **Chief Psychiatrist** — Medical Officer, **Dr Jonathan Lane**
  - Assistant Secretary, **Michael Burvill**
- **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**

Repatriation Commission

- **President** — Alison Frame
- **Repatriation Commissioner** — Kahlil Fegan DSC AM
- **Veteran Family Commissioner** — Annabelle Wilson
- **Comcare Commissioner** * — Colin Radford
- **CSC Commissioner** * — Damian Hill
- **Defence Commissioner** * — Lieutenant Genereal Natasha Fox AO CSC

Veterans' Review Board

- **Principal Member** — **Jane Anderson**
- **Senior Member** — **Major Robert Douglass**

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
* = Independent Statutory Officer