



Media Release

Peter Chandler
Minister for Veterans Support

Northern Territory Veterans' Support Ministerial Advisory Council

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The first meeting of the inaugural Northern Territory Veterans' Support Ministerial Advisory Council was held earlier this week.

Minister for Veterans' Support Peter Chandler said the Council was established to provide advice and support to the Northern Territory Government on issues affecting ex-service members of the Australian Defence Force and their families.

"This meeting marked an important milestone for veterans' affairs in the Northern Territory, allowing a direct channel for veterans' representative bodies to communicate with the government," Mr Chandler said.

"The reason I established this Council was to monitor and provide advice on matters relating to the mental, physical, welfare and disability issues for veterans and the wider veterans community."

The Council is a non-statutory advisory body focussed on;

- Monitoring and providing advice on matters relating to veterans and the veteran community.
- Facilitating a collective approach to raising issues important to the veterans' community in the Northern Territory.
- Providing a forum for the veterans' community to communicate with Government through the Minister for Veterans' Support.
- Contributing to a body of knowledge about local and national veterans' issues by providing reports to the Minister for Veterans' Support.

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