









MIDDLE EAST AREA OF OPERATIONS (MEAO) VETERANS AND FAMILIES RESEARCH PROJECT

Purpose

To identify and better understand the needs and concerns of contemporary veterans and their families, to recommend enhancements and national strategies to improve the range and level of services and support available to them.

Phase 1	Middle East Area of Operations (MEAO) Scoping Study (2025), funded and led by RSL Australia.	Phase 2	A broader study, which will examine issues identified in greater detail and recommend national strategies to improve support and services.
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Scope

 <p>Physical & mental health</p>	 <p>Long-term health outcomes</p>	 <p>Mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI)</p>	 <p>Moral injury effects</p>	 <p>Early injury identification</p>	 <p>Post-deployment impacts</p>	 <p>Family/ community support</p>	 <p>Separation from service factors</p>
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Phase 1: Middle East Area of Operations (MEAO) Scoping Study (2025)

Stage 1: February-May	Stage 2: February-May	Stage 3: May-June	Stage 4: June-July
<p>Environmental Scan and Literature Review</p> <p>Scoping review, research and analysis of previous studies into veterans and families' mental, physical and social health outcomes/costs.</p>	<p>Veteran and Families Voice Workshops</p> <p>Workshops with veterans and their families to express their feelings, share concerns and suggest acknowledgement ideas.</p>	<p>Review and Summary of MEAO Data Asset</p> <p>Evaluation of available MEAO and ADF datasets to understand their structure and relevance, identifying areas for further analysis.</p>	<p>Development of research recommendations, methodology and proposal for Phase 2</p>

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