#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1MR, Part X, Chapter 6

**Veterans Benefits Administration March 7, 2015**

**Washington, DC 20420**

#### Transmittal Sheet

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| Changes Included in This Revision | The table below describes the changes included in this revision of Veterans Benefits Manual M21-1, Part X, “Matching Programs,” Chapter 6, “Semiannual Review of Potential Duplicate Payment Cases.”  ***Notes***:   * The term regional office (RO) also includes pension management center (PMC), where appropriate. * Minor editorial changes have also been made to Topics 1, 2, & 4 to * update incorrect or obsolete hyperlink references * update obsolete terminology, including old BDN guidelines and references, where appropriate and old pension terminology * correct a topic title * clarify block text, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1 standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation |
| To update instructions for actions to take when a social security number (SSN) for a payee or spouse cannot be found in either via Participant Profile or SHARE. | M21-1, Part X, Chapter 6, Topic 1, Block f  (X.6.1.f) |
| To clarify that all awards being paid on an SSN should have the same person as the payee. | X.6.2.a |
| To reformat conent into a table for ease of use. | X.6.2.b |
| To clarify that Veterans Service Network (VETSNET) and the Veterans Benefits Management System (VBMS) will automatically identfity situations where married Veterans are in receipt of benefits under multiple claim numbers. | X.6.2.c |
| To clarify information regarding Veteran’s Pension award and Parent’s Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) award when the Veteran is married to the deceased child’s other parent. | X.6.2.e |
| To add a reference for reinstatement of benefit eligibility for surviving spouses and delete obsolete information regarding concurrent payment for certain remarried surviving spouses. | X.6.2.h |
| To delete X.6.2.i which contained obsolete Benefits Delivery Network (BDN) instructions. | ------- |
| To clarify instructions when dealing with two Beneficiary Identification and Records Locator Subsystem (BIRLS) records and one corporate record versus one BIRLS record and two copororate Records | X.6.3.b & c |
| To provide updated instructions for claims assistants (CAs) and Trailbosses to follow once DUPC is completed. | X.6.3.d |

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