#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1MR, Part X, Chapter 15

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#### 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 M21-1MR, Part X, “Matching Programs,” Chapter 15, “Social Security Administration (SSA) Prison Match.”***Notes***: * The term regional office (RO) also includes pension management center (PMC), where appropriate.
* The term Veterans Service Center Manager (VSCM) also includes Pension Management Center Manager (PMCM), where appropriate.
* Minor editorial changes have also been made to
* update obsolete terminology, where appropriate
* reassign alphabetical designations to individual blocks, where necessary, to account for new and/or deleted blocks within a topic
* update section and topic titles to more accurately reflect their content
* repaginate to account for added and/or deleted text in individual blocks
* clarify block labels and/or block text, and
* bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards.
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| Reasons for the Change | Citation | Page(s) |
| To provide a reference to a block within M21-1MR that discusses the use of end product (EP) 693 in combination with EP 290. | Part X, Chapter 15, Topic 2 Block a (X.15.2.a) | 15-4 |
| To emphasize that development for specific information must be undertaken with the identified prison facility before notice of proposed adverse action is released.  | X.15.2.e | 15-7 |
| To clarify that notice of proposed adverse action to reduce the beneficiary’s award on the 61st day after the date of confinement shown on the Prison Match worksheet should be sent to the beneficiary if the prison facility does not respond within 60 days.  | X.15.2.h | 15-9 |
| To provide details regarding the responsibility of regional offices (ROs) to report information about prison match cases to Compensation Service.  | X.15.2.j | 15-10 |
| To add a lead-in sentence to introduce the recommended text for insertion in a notice of proposed adverse action. | X.15.3.a | 15-11 |

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