#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1, Part III, Subpart ii

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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 M21-1, Part III, “General Claims Process”, Subpart ii “Initial Screening and Determining Veterans Status.”  ***Notes***: Minor editorial changes have also been made to   * reassign alphabetical designations to individual blocks and repaginate, where necessary, to account for new and/or deleted blocks within a topic * renumber each topic based on the standard that the first topic in each section is Topic 1, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1 standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation |
| To correct the section designation as all of the original M21-1, Part III, Subpart ii, Chapter 2, Section E (III.ii.2.E) has been relocated to a different part of the Manual. Therefore, III.ii.2.F is now re-designated as the new III.ii.2.E. | III.ii.2.E |
| * To incorporate AO81 rules. * To add a reference to information regarding prescribed forms for special monthly pension (SMP) claims. | III.ii.2.E.2.c |

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| Rescissions | None |

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