#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1MR, Part III, Subpart ii Veterans Benefits Administration November 13, 2014

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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 III, “General Claims Process,” Subpart ii, “Initial Screening and Determining Veterans Status.”***Notes***: * Minor editorial changes have also been made to
* remove references to rescinded portions of M21-1
* update incorrect or obsolete hyperlink references
* update obsolete terminology, where appropriate
* update section and topic titles to more accurately reflect their content
* clarify block labels and/or block text, and
* bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards.
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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation | Page(s) |
| To replace “death benefits” with “survivors benefits.” | M21-1MR, Part III, Subpart ii, Chapter 2, Section A, Topic 2 (III.ii.2.A.2)  | 2-A-4  |
| * To remove “or parent” from the description of dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC).
* To add “under 38 U.S.C. 1318” to the DIC benefit’s description.
 | III.ii.2.A.2.a | 2-A-4 |
| To replace “death pension” with “survivors pension.” | III.ii.2.A.2.b | 2-A-4; 2-A-6 and 7 |

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| Rescissions | None |

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