#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1MR, 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 M21-1MR, Part III, “General Claims Process,” Subpart ii, “Initial Screening and Determining Veterans Status.” |

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| To replace instructions to “rebuild a red-rope folder” with instructions to “create an electronic claims folder (eFolder) in the Veterans Benefits Management System (VBMS).” | M21-1MR, Part III, Subpart ii, Chapter 8, Section F, Topic 23, Block b (III.ii.8.F.23.b) | 8-F-3 |
| To delete Topic 25 (III.ii.8.F.25) because it contains only outdated information and instructions:   * Block a discusses the distribution of *VA Form 21-8092, Notice of Death Information*, which is a form that has been discontinued. * Blocks b through g contain instructions for sending applications for death benefits to survivors upon receipt of a first notice of death (FNOD). Such applications are now automatically generated and mailed to survivors when a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) employee processes an FNOD.   (The remaining topics in Section F have been renumbered to account for the deletion of Topic 25.) | --- | --- |

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