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

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**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 M21-1MR, Part III, “General Claims Process,” Subpart iv, “General Rating Process.”  ***Notes***:   * Minor editorial changes have also been made to * reassign alphabetical designations to individual blocks, where necessary, to account for new and/or deleted blocks within a topic * repaginate a section or chapter * 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 add a new Block b defining limited motion of the ankle. | M21-1MR, Part III, Subpart iv, Chapter 4, Section A, Topic 1, Block b  (III.iv.4.A.1.b) | 4-A-3 |
| * To add a reminder for Rating Veterans Service Representatives (RVSRs) to follow due process and evaluation protection procedures when assigning a post-knee replacement evaluation. * To add references applicable to protection of disability evaluations. | III.iv.4.A.1.m | 4-A-10 |
| To add a new Block n explaining when to assign separate evaluations for manifestations of diseases and injuries of the spine. | III.iv.4.A.1.n | 4-A-11 |

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