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

**Veterans Benefits Administration September 23, 2014**

**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 * repaginate a section or chapter, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation | Page(s) |
| To add (new) Block f explaining when it is prohibited to assign separate evaluations for respiratory disabilities. | M21-1MR Part III, Subpart iv, Chapter 4, Section D, Topic 16, Block f  (M21-1MR III.iv.4.D.16.f) | 4-D-3 |
| To add (new) Block g incorporating instructions from the January and May 2013 Veterans Service Center Manager (VSCM) Bulletins explaining when sleep studies are required in sleep apnea claims and the acceptability of home sleep studies. | III.iv.4.D.16.g | 4-D-4 |

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