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

**Veterans Benefits Administration October 15, 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 * update the term “veteran” to “Veteran” * update obsolete terminology, where appropriate, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards. |

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| * To add a note that copies of draft decisions should not be released to the claimant. * To add a note that if using the Automated Decision Letter (ADL) process to notify a claimant of a decision, then a copy of the rating decision is not sent to the claimant. | M21-1 MR Part III, Subpart iv, Chapter 7, Section A, Topic 1, Block e (III.iv.7.A.1.e) | 7-A-3 |

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