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

**Veterans Benefits Administration March 24, 2015**

**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 M21-1, Part III, “General Claims Process,” Subpart v, “General Authorization Issues and Claimant Notifications.”  ***Notes***: Minor editorial changes have also been made to   * update incorrect or obsolete hyperlink references * update section and topic titles to more accurately reflect their content, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1 and Knowledge Management (KM) standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation |
| To remove informal application from the definition of reelection while maintaining historical record of accepting informal claims as a reelection, prior to March 24, 2015. | M21-1, Part III, Subpart v, Chapter 4, Section A, Topic 1 Block d (III.v.4.A.1.d) |
| To state that *VA Form 21-0966, Intent to File a Claim,* is not an acceptable form of election. | III.v.4.A.3.a |

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| Rescissions | None |

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| Authority | By Direction of the Under Secretary for Benefits |

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