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

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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 M21-1, Part III, “General Claims Process,” Subpart v, “General Authorization Issues and Claimant Notifications.”  ***Notes***:   * The term regional office (RO) also includes pension management center (PMC), where appropriate. * Minor editorial changes have also been made to * remove references to rescinded portions of M21-1 * update incorrect or obsolete hyperlink references * renumber each topic based on the standard that the first topic in each section is Topic 1 * update section and topic titles to more accurately reflect their content, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1 standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation |
| To remove the reference Automated Medical Information Exchange (AMIE) from the section and replace it with Compensation and Pension Records Interchange (CAPRI). | M21-1, Part III, Subpart v, Chapter 6, Section C, Topic 1, Block c  (III.v.6.C.1.c) |
| To delete obsolete references to processing claims in the (Benefits Delivery Network) BDN. | III.v.6.C.1.e |
| To clarify distinction between pension and Current-Law pension and to alleviate any confusion. | III.v.6.C.1.g |
| To delete block III.v.6.C.1.h containing outdated instructions regarding *VA Form 21-653, Notice of Change in Status of Beneficiary Receiving Hospital or Domiciliary Care*. | -------------------------------------- |
| To delete block III.v.6.C.3.c containing outdated instructions regarding *VA Form 21-653*. | -------------------------------------- |
| To delete outdated instructions regarding *VA Form 21-653*. | III.v.6.C.5.c |

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