**Department of Veterans Affairs** **Part IX, Subpart i, Chapter 3**

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#### 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 IX “Ancillary and Special Benefits,” Subpart i “Ancillary Benefits,” Chapter 3, “Specially Adapted Housing (SAH) or Special Home Adaptation (SHA) Grants.”  ***Notes***:   * M21-1MR will retain some information related to the Benefits Delivery Network (BDN) until all master records are converted to VETSNET.  For information on VETSNET applications and input, consult the [VETSNET User Guides](http://vbaw.vba.va.gov/bl/21/Systems/awards.htm) on the Compensation Service Intranet. * The term regional office (RO) also includes pension management center (PMC), where appropriate. * The term Veterans Service Center Manager (VSCM) also includes Pension Management Center Manager (PMCM), where appropriate. * Minor editorial changes have also been made to * clarify Block labels and/or Block text, * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation | Page(s) |
| * To incorporate regulatory change adding amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) as a qualifying condition for Specially Adapted Housing (SAH). | Part IX, Subpart i, Chapter 3, Topic 1, Block b (IX.i.3.1.b) | 3-2 |
| * To add note on applying the SAH ALS regulation. * To add note on applicability of the SAH ALS regulation. * To add a reference on evaluating ALS. | IX.i.3.1.b | 3-3 |
| * To add a note on inhalational injury as a qualifying basis for SAH. | IX.i.3.1.c | 3-5 |
| * To change sunset date for the temporary criteria for SAH to September 30, 2014. * To add a note regarding the cap on payments of SAH under the extended criteria. | IX.i.3.1.f | 3-7 |

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