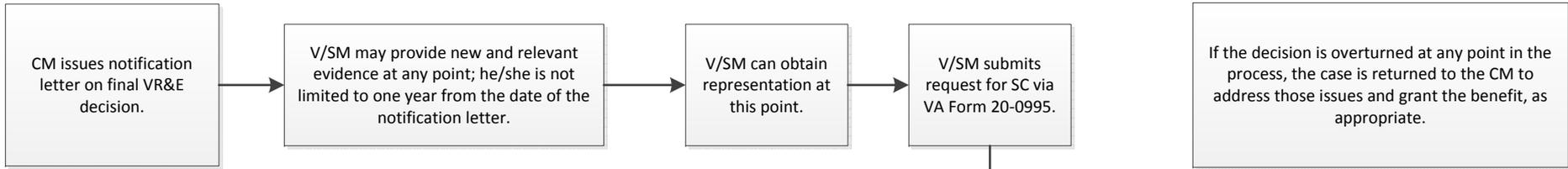


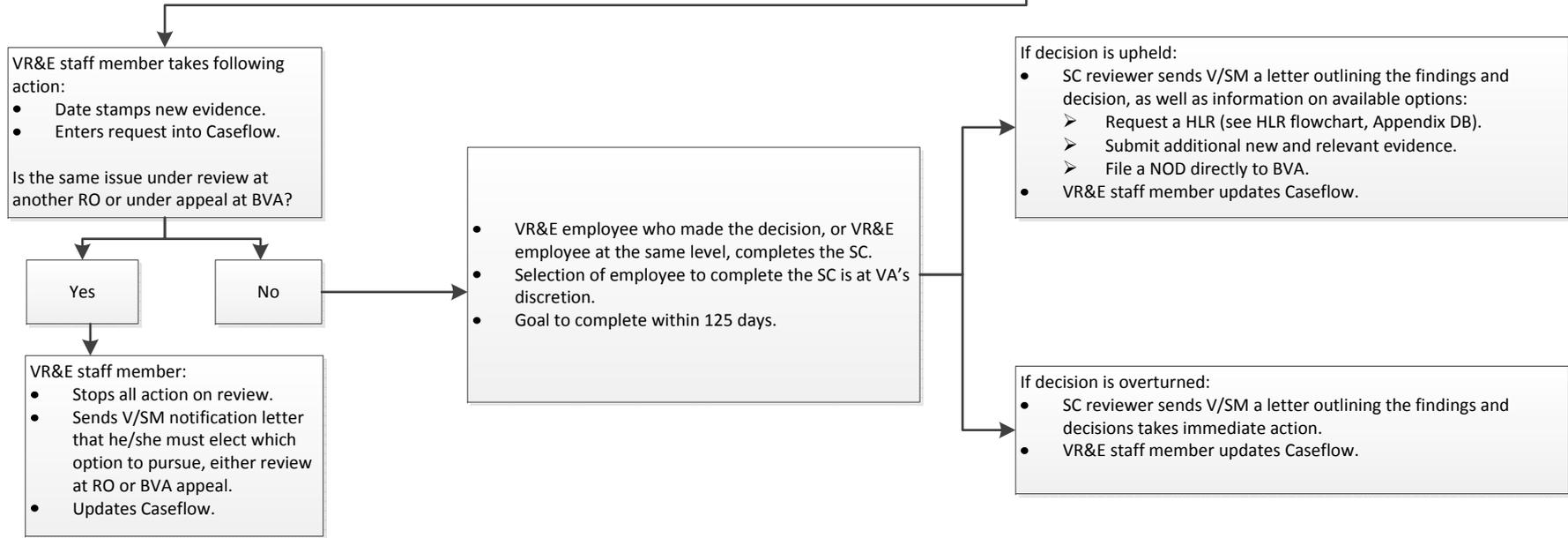
APPENDIX DC:

Supplemental Claim (SC)

Post Decision



Supplemental Claim at RO Level



Definitions & Citations

Protection of Effective Date
V/SM who chooses one lane for review but does not receive a favorable result will have one year to pursue another lane for additional review without losing the connection to the filing date of the original claim, as long as the claim is continuously pursued in a timely manner.

Supplemental Claim:
The term means a claim for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary filed by a claimant who previously filed a claim for the same or similar benefits on the same or similar basis. If new and relevant evidence is presented, the Secretary shall readjudicate the claim. 38 U.S.C. §§ 101(36) and 5108.

New and Relevant Evidence:
These terms mean evidence that tends to prove or disprove a matter in issue. 38 U.S.C. §101 (35).

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