(VSR Challenge) Introduction to Rating

**List of Changes**

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| **Change** | Pages/PPT # affected | | | | **Date of Change** |
| LP | HO | AK | PPT |
| Removed “Summary” slide |  |  |  | 25 | 8/24/2016 |
| Changed bullets to arrows |  |  |  | X | 8/24/2016 |
| Changed layout/design re: Deferred Issues |  |  |  | 18 | 8/24/2016 |
| Changed service-connected to SC |  |  |  | 8 | 8/24/2016 |
| Replaced “What do you do with it” to “How to Process” |  |  |  | 20 | 8/24/2016 |
| Changed last sentence from “bullet point”, to note |  |  |  | 21 | 8/24/2016 |
| Updated deferral information |  |  |  | 19 | 8/24/2016 |
| Added VBMS job aids to references | X | X |  | X | 8/24/2016 |
| Updated regarding processing deferrals | 9 |  |  | 20 | 8/24/2016 |
| Moved slide 17, “Rating Schedule and Diagnostic Codes” after slide 14 “The Codesheet” | 9 |  |  | 17 |  |
| Added AMA requirements for documenting favorable findings in the Reasons for Decision section. | 9 | 6 |  | 13 | 3/18/2019 |
| Added slides 13 and 14 showing elements that must be addressed in the Reasons for Decision. Updated slide number throughout LP | 11-12 |  |  | 14 | 3/18/2019 |
| Added examples of Reason for Decisions with favorable findings provided in M21-1.III.iv.6.C.d & f; added decisions for arthritis to cervical spine and left shoulder to rating narrative and code sheet. |  | 14, 19 |  |  | 3/18/2019 |
| Added references to Reasons for Decisions in rating example in accordance with AMA requirements. |  | 15, 16 |  |  | 3/18/2019 |
| Added 38 CFR 3.104(c), Favorable Findings to list of references | 5 | 3 |  | 3 | 3/18/2019 |
| Added question 8 to practical exercise to check of favorable findings requirements; added references and answer to question 8 to answer key. |  | 20 | 1, 2 |  | 3/18/2019 |
| Added (VSR Challenge) to lesson title. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3/20/2019 |