Policies & Information Manual



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What's changed (Please read the policy documents for complete information):

Please note that policy changes since the last issue are indicated by shaded text or shading in the left margin within the policy itself.

Policy 03-01, Part II, Addendum A, Effective Date for Use of New Editions of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM)

We updated the addendum to indicate that we use the most recent edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (the DSM-5-TR), effective **April 1**, **2025**.

This update follows the direction in Policy 03-01, Part II, Application 6:

"When a new edition is published, WCB will designate an effective date, as close as practicable to the date for publication, for use of the new edition (see Addendum A)."

The title of the document was also updated to use the full name, *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, as opposed to the abbreviation, DSM.

Policy 04-04, Part II, Addendum B, *Effective Date for use of New Editions of the American Medical Association Guides*

We updated the addendum to indicate that we use the most recent edition of the online *American Medical Association Guides for the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment*, the AMA Guides, Sixth Edition, 2024, as of **April 1, 2025**. This is consistent with the direction in Policy 04-04, Part I, 3.0:

"When a new edition is published, WCB will designate an effective date, as close as practicable to the date of publication, for use of the new edition (see Addendum B)."

Complete list of changed documents:	
Subject	Document / Policy Application
03-01, <i>General</i> (issue date April 1, 2025)	Part II, Addendum A
04-04, Permanent Disability (issue date April 1, 2025)	Part II, Addendum B

