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This release transmits the new manual chapter outlining procedures for applying limitations on medical evidence that is submitted by the various parties in a Black Lung claim, in accordance with the revised Black Lung regulations that became effective on January 19, 2001.

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