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ADDENDUM A

EFFECTIVE DATE FOR USE OF NEW EDITIONS OF THE DSM

Edition	Effective Date for WCB Use*
<i>Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, (DSM), Fifth Edition, May 2013</i>	January 1, 2014

*An exception is made for the diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and psychological injury resulting from exposure to a traumatic event or events during the course of the worker's employment for first responders, correctional officers, or emergency dispatchers. For these cases, section 24.2(1) of the *WCA* stipulates use of the most recent edition, with no provision for a transition period.

Previous versions

- [Policy 0301 Part II Addendum A - September 2018](#)
- [Policy 0301 Part II Addendum A - April 2018](#)
- [Policy 0301 Part II Addendum A - August 2015](#)
- [Policy 0301 Part II Addendum A - June 2013](#)