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The American Medical Association is committed to providing the most current evidence-based science and medicine to assure medical evaluators can provide fair and equitable ratings for every patient evaluated using the AMA Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment.

Acceleration of medical and technological advancements are shaping the evolution of the AMA Guides into a dynamically updated, easy to access digital source for impairment evaluations. No longer is it practical to hold relevant content updates until an entirely new book can be published. Consequently, a new stakeholder-driven, transparent editorial process has been instituted that allows rapid review and timely incorporation of new medical advances into the AMA Guides. The recently appointed multidisciplinary AMA Guides Editorial Panel is focusing editorial priorities on areas where additional guidance is most needed while publishing content annually in recognition of state regulatory considerations.

In the first quarter of 2021, the AMA delivered AMA Guides Digital to provide online access to AMA Guides Sixth, the updated AMA Guides Sixth 2021 and the AMA Guides Newsletter. Effective July 1, 2021, the AMA will consider AMA Guides Sixth 2021 to be the most current version of AMA Guides Sixth. The update is currently available on AMA Guides Digital for review with support through AMA EdHub™. Going forward, the AMA Guides will be maintained exclusively online.
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