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Topics: Opening Remarks and Townhall
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- Content update provides clarification and updated terminology around mental and behavioral health concepts to improve interrater reliability. Overview of updates to Mental and Behavioral Health Content:
  - Change from DSM IV to DSM 5 terminology and methodology
  - Newer editions of Assessment Tools and Tests
  - Descriptions of Malingering and Motivation
  - Removal of summaries of psychiatric diagnoses and conditions from the Glossary to mitigate discrepancies in a forensic setting
- Removal of GAF results in more accurate mental and behavioral health impairment ratings
- Minor editorial corrections to Lower Extremity and Spine content
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