

**RENEWAL OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA)  
AND  
THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
(DOJ) FEDERAL BUREAU OF  
PRISONS (BOP)**

Under the provisions of Public Law **100-503**, a computer matching agreement shall remain in effect for such period, not to exceed 18 months, as the Data Integrity Boards of the participating agencies determine is appropriate. However, the Data Integrity Boards may renew the agreement for a period not to exceed 12 additional months if:

1. Such program will be conducted without any change; and
2. Each party to the agreement certifies to the Boards in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the agreement.

This is a one-year renewal of the computer matching agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) (the recipient agency) and the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) (the source agency). The CMA was assigned by DOJ's Data Integrity Board, on June 17, 2020 and by VA's Data Integrity Board on July 21, 2020. The agreement commenced following expiration of the OMB review and Federal Register comment periods on August 24, 2020. This agreement will expire on March 24, 2022.

The following match meets the conditions for recertification:

**I. Title of Match:**

BOP/VA Match

**II. Parties to Match:**

Recipient Agency: VA/VBASource

Agency: DOJ/BOP

**III. Purpose of the Agreement:**

To establish the conditions under which the BOP agrees to disclose information about incarcerated veterans and other veterans' beneficiaries to VA through a computer- matching program. This disclosure provides VA with information to identify those veterans and other veterans' beneficiaries who are confined for a period exceeding **60** days due to conviction for a felony or a misdemeanor, and who, therefore, may be ineligible to receive full VA benefits.

**IV. Final effective date of Match**

March 24, 2022

**V. Non-substantive Changes**

Not Applicable

**VI. Agency Certification:**

As designated representatives of the agencies shown in Section II, we certify that the subject matching program has been conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties, and we also agree to conduct the matching program without change for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Beth Murphy  
Executive Director, Compensation  
Service Department of Veterans  
Affairs

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Sonya D. Thompson Assistant  
Director/ Senior Component  
Official for Privacy Federal  
Bureau of Prisons

11/17/2021  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

5/4/2021  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Colleen Richardson  
Executive Director  
Caregiver Support  
Program  
Veterans Health Administration  
Department of Veterans Affairs

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Terry D. Brooks  
Acting Assistant Director/CIO  
Federal Bureau of Prisons

6/11/2021  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

5/4/2021  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**VO.** Data Integrity Board Certification:

As chairmen of the respective Data Integrity Boards, we certify that the Data Integrity Boards have approved the extension of the above agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_

Joseph Stenaka  
Chair, Data Integrity Board  
Department of Veterans  
Affairs

1/25/2022

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Date

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_

Lee J. Lofthus  
Chair, Data Integrity Board  
Department of Justice

3/24/2022

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Date