RENEWAL OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
AND
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
SSA Match #1052

Under the applicable provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), a Computer Matching Agreement (CMA) will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. See 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(C). Within 3 months prior to the expiration of such CMA, however, the Data Integrity Board (DIB) may, without additional review, renew the computer matching agreement for a current, ongoing matching program for a period not to exceed 12 additional months if:

1. such program will be conducted without any changes; and
2. each party to the agreement certifies to the DIB in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the agreement.


Only a “significant change” to an existing CMA requires a new agreement, notice, and reporting. See 5 U.S.C. § 552a(r) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-108, Sec. 8.b. No significant changes have occurred to date, and thus the following matching program meets the conditions for renewal upon signature of the certifications at the end of this renewal agreement by the authorized source and recipient agency officials in sections VII and VIII of this renewal:

I. TITLE OF MATCH:

Computer Matching Agreement Match #1052

II. PARTIES TO THE MATCH:

Recipient Agency: Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration (VA/VHA)
Source Agency: Social Security Administration (SSA)

III. PURPOSE OF THE RENEWAL:

The purpose of this renewal is to extend the terms, conditions, and safeguards of Computer Matching Agreement # 1052.
IV. ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE MATCH:

Effective Date: November 28, 2020
Expiration Date: May 28, 2022

V. RENEWAL AND NEW EXPIRATION DATES:

Renewal Date: May 29, 2022
New Expiration Date: May 28, 2023

VI. CHANGES:

By this renewal, SSA and VA/VHA make the following non-substantive changes to the CMA:

1. In Article XIX, “Persons to Contact,” delete all contacts in their entirety and replace them with the following:

   A. SSA Contacts:

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VII. SIGNATURES

A. Source Agency Certification:

Social Security Administration

**Electronic Signature Acknowledgement:** The signatories may sign this document electronically by using an approved electronic signature process. Each signatory electronically signing this document agrees that his/her electronic signature has the same legal validity and effect as his/her handwritten signature on the document, and that it has the same meaning as his/her handwritten signature.

As the authorized representative of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject-matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject-matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

MARY ZIMMERMAN

Mary Ann Zimmerman
Deputy Executive Director
Office of Privacy and Disclosure
Office of the General Counsel

**Data Integrity Board Certification:**

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months.

Matthew D. Ramsey
Chair, Data Integrity Board
Social Security Administration
B. **Recipient Agency Certification:**

Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

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As the authorized representative of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject-matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject-matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

Dionne Dent-Lockett, MS, SHRM-CP
Director, Health Eligibility Center VHA Member Services
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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Data Integrity Board Certification:

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject-matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject-matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months.

Ms. Lynette L. Sherrill
Chairman, Data Integrity Board
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs