RENEWAL OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
AND
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

SSA Match #1309

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(o)(2), a computer matching agreement will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. Within 3 months prior to the expiration of such computer matching agreement, 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.

The following match meets the conditions for renewal upon signature of the officials authorized in section XIX of this agreement:

I. TITLE OF MATCH:

Computer Matching Agreement Match #1309

II. PARTIES TO THE MATCH:

Recipient Agency: Social Security Administration (SSA)

Source Agency: Department of Veteran Affairs (VA)

III. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT:

This computer matching agreement sets forth the terms, conditions, and safeguards under which the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) will provide the Social Security Administration (SSA) with VA compensation and pension payment data. This disclosure will provide SSA with information necessary to verify an individual’s self-certification of eligibility for the Medicare Prescription Drug (Medicare Part D) subsidy (Extra Help). It will also enable SSA to identify individuals who may qualify for Extra Help as part of the agency’s Medicare outreach efforts.
IV. ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE MATCH:

Effective Date: March 6, 2018
Expiration Date: September 5, 2019

V. RENEWAL AND NEW EXPIRATION DATES:

Renewal Date: September 6, 2019
New Expiration Date: September 5, 2020

VI. CHANGES:

By this renewal, SSA and VA make the following non-substantive changes to the computer matching agreement:

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

Social Security Administration Contacts:

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VII. DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS SIGNATURES:

Source Agency Certification:

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.

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.

Beth Murphy  
Executive Director, Compensation Service  
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date

Ronald S. Burke, Jr.  
Executive Director, Pension and Fiduciary  
Department of Veterans Affairs

Date
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.

James P. Gfrerer  
Chair, Data Integrity Board  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
Date 8/20/2019
VIII. SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION SIGNATURES:

Recipient Agency Certification:

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.

Monica Chyn
Acting Deputy Executive Director
Office of Privacy and Disclosure
Office of the General Counsel

Date ____________________________

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.

Mary Ann Zimmerman
Acting Chairperson
Data Integrity Board
Social Security Administration

Date ____________________________