

**RENEWAL OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DEFENSE MANPOWER DATA CENTER,
STATE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AGENCIES, AND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

“Verification of Continued Eligibility for Benefits Through the Public Assistance Reporting
Information System (PARIS) Program”

DoD-DMDC No. 86

Under the applicable provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(C), a computer matching agreement will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. Pursuant to § - 552a(o)(2)(D), within three months prior to the expiration of the computer matching agreement, the Data Integrity Board (DIB) may, without additional review, renew the computer matching agreement for a current, ongoing matching program not to exceed one additional year if:

1. such program will be conducted without change (meaning, without significant change, in accordance with OMB Circular A-108, page 18); 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 the one-year renewal by this recertification:

I. Title of Match:

“Verification of Continued Eligibility for Benefits Through the Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) Program” DoD-DMDC No. 86

II. Parties to the Match:

Recipient Agency: Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC)
Source Agency: State Public Assistance Agencies (SPAAs)
Facilitating Agency: Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

III. Purpose and Legal Authority of the Agreement:

This one-year renewal continues an established arrangement for a periodic computer matching program between DoD as the matching agency, ACF as the facilitating agency, and the SPAAs as the source agencies that will use the data in their public assistance programs.

The purpose of this matching program is to identify individuals receiving both federal compensation or pension benefits and public assistance benefits under federal programs administered by the states and to verify public assistance clients' declarations of income circumstances. Each participating SPAA will provide DMDC with finder files containing identifying and other data about public assistance applicants or recipients, which DMDC will match against DoD military and civilian pay files, military retired pay files, and survivor pay files (Office of Personnel Management (OPM) civilian retired and survivor pay files will not be used). DMDC will return matched data to the SPAA, which the SPAA will use to verify individuals' continued eligibility to receive public assistance benefits and, if ineligible, to take such action as may be authorized by law and regulation to ensure fair and equitable treatment in the delivery of and benefits attributable to funds provided by the Federal Government.

The legal authority for conducting the matching program is contained in sections 402, 1137, and 1903(r) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 602, 1320b-7, and 1396b(r)).

IV. Original Effective and Expiration Dates of the Match:

Effective Date: March 30, 2019
Expiration Date: September 29, 2020

V. Renewal and Expiration Dates:

Renewal Effective Date: September 30, 2020
Renewal Expiration Date: September 29, 2021

VI. Non-Significant Changes:

By this renewal, the parties agree to conduct said matching agreement without significant change. The following non-significant changes are made to the computer matching agreement.

The following clarifying language is provided with respect to Articles VI and VIII concerning records usage restrictions:

ACF will update DMDC each quarter with the current list of SPAA signatories to this agreement. DMDC may use the data in the finder files from those SPAAs for the statistical purposes of 1) validating DMDC data and 2) informing the Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation, in accordance with 37 U.S.C. § 1008 (as stated in PARIS Transmittal 2020-01, <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/paris/resource/paris-transmittal-2020-01-important-announcement-regarding-quarterly-match-and-paris-data-use-0>). Statistical purposes are the description, estimation, or analysis of the characteristics of groups, without identifying the individuals or organizations that comprise such groups [44 U.S.C. § 3561(12)]. Neither ACF nor DMDC will maintain any other information used in or resulting from the

matching activity, other than non-individually identifiable aggregated statistical records about each match.

Additionally, for efficiency and to reduce risks of multiple transfers, DMDC may also perform related PARIS computer matches on behalf of the PARIS program, including the PARIS Interstate and PARIS Veteran Affairs matches, to which DoD is not a party but functions as a service provider, using data provided to the DMDC by SPAAs.

In *Article XIII. Persons to Contact*, the language is updated as follows:

A. DoD Contacts

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C. SPAA Contacts

See SPAA signature page.

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

B. Data Integrity Board Approval

Having jurisdiction and oversight over the Department of Defense’s participation in this matching agreement, upon consideration of the foregoing certifications of the source and recipient agencies named herein that: (1) the subject matching program will continue without change for one additional year; and (2) the subject matching program has been conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties, the Data Integrity Board for the Department of Defense hereby approves the renewal of the computer matching agreement between the Department of Defense, Defense Manpower Data Center, State Public Assistance Agencies, and Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, “Verification of Continued Eligibility for Benefits Through Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) Program,” (DoD-DMDC No. 86).”

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Joo Y. Chung
Chairperson
Defense Data Integrity Board
Department of Defense

09/14/2020
Date

STATE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AGENCIES

IX. State Public Assistance Agency

As the authorized representative of the below named State Public Assistance Agency, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program has been conducted in compliance with the existing computer matching agreement between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without change for one additional year, subject to the approval of the Department of Defense's Data Integrity Board.

Updated persons to contact from Article XIII of the original agreement:

Program Contact

System Security Contact

Date