

the Treasury (Treasury) to provide public notice and an opportunity for comment prior to designating additional databases for inclusion in the Do Not Pay Working System. In fulfillment of this requirement, Treasury published a Notice of Proposed Designation on February 10, 2026, for the Social Security Administration's Numerical Identification System (Numident) database. At the expiration of the comment period, Treasury received a total of three responsive comments on the proposed designation. The commenters all expressed support for the use of SSA's Numident to strengthen the integrity of Federal funds disbursements in health or income maintenance programs.

One commenter expressed privacy concerns relating to Social Security data and stated that there should be limits on who can access the data. Treasury's Do Not Pay program will employ strict safeguards to protect Numident data, including adherence to the Privacy Act, SSA's system-specific requirements, and Fiscal Service's established administrative, technical, and physical security controls. These controls include limited, need-to-know access; audit logging; secure transmission protocols; mandatory privacy and security training; and compliance with Federal Information Security Modernization Act and National Institute of Standards and Technology requirements.

Two commenters raised concerns regarding the potential for Numident data quality issues and recommended that Treasury describe the process by which individuals can identify and correct errors arising from Numident-based verifications. We understand the concern regarding the possibility of payment determinations based on Do Not Pay results containing incorrect Numident information. Do Not Pay will provide guidance to agencies eligible to access Numident, including requirements to make an independent judgment regarding decisions to certify a payment for disbursement and to take additional independent steps to verify a benefit recipient's eligibility before taking any adverse action, when necessary or appropriate or when required by law. *See, e.g.*, 31 U.S.C. 3528 (regarding the certifying official's responsibility for the legality of proposed payments); 31 U.S.C. 3354(b)(4) ("When using the Do Not Pay Initiative, an executive agency shall recognize that there may be circumstances under which the law requires a payment or award to be made to a recipient, regardless of whether that recipient is identified as potentially

ineligible under the Do Not Pay Initiative."); 5 U.S.C. 552a(p) (requiring agencies participating in computer matching programs to verify match results and provide individuals an opportunity to contest the results prior to taking adverse action on the basis of the results).

One commentor suggested that Treasury provide a definition for "health or income maintenance programs" to reflect the full range of programs that may have access to the Numident database through the Do Not Pay Working System. A "health maintenance program" is any noncommercial program (*e.g.*, Medicare and Medicaid) administered by a government agency that is designed to provide an individual with healthcare (both prevention and treatment) or to subsidize the cost of such care. *See* SSA Program Operations Manual System (POMS) GN 03313.001.C.1.d and GN 03314.001.A.3. An "income maintenance program" is any noncommercial program administered by a government agency that is designed to provide an individual with basic necessities of life (*e.g.*, food, clothing, shelter, and utilities), or supplement the individual's income to permit the purchase of such necessities. *See* POMS GN 03313.001.C.1.d and GN 03314.001.A.4. Examples of income maintenance programs include subsidized housing, Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), services under Title XX of the Social Security Act, fuel subsidies, unemployment insurance compensation, and government pension programs. *See* POMS GN 03314.001.A.4. Loan programs are *not* income maintenance programs for disclosure purposes. *See* POMS GN 03313.001.C.1.d and GN 03314.001.A.4.

Treasury has determined that the designation of Numident to the Do Not Pay Working System should proceed. Effective immediately, Treasury has designated Numident to the Do Not Pay Working System. Under this designation, Numident will be available solely for the purpose of verifying the names, Social Security numbers, and dates of birth of individuals receiving payments and awards under federal and federally funded state-administered health or income maintenance programs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20220, Telephone (202) 622-2000 or

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Privacy Act of 1974: System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of a new matching program.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a re-established computer matching program. This will match personnel records of the Department of Defense (DoD) with VA records of benefit recipients under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve, and the Post-9/11 GI Bill. The goal of these matches is to identify the eligibility status of Veterans, servicemembers, and reservists who have applied for or who are receiving education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve, and the Post-9/11 GI Bill. The purpose of the match is to enable VA to verify that individuals meet the conditions of military service and eligibility criteria for payment of benefits determined by VA under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve, and Post-9/11 GI Bill.

DATES: Comments on this match must be received no later than 30 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**. If no public comment is received during the period allowed for comment or unless otherwise published in the **Federal Register** by VA, the new agreement will become effective a minimum of 30 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**. If VA receives public comments, VA shall review the comments to determine whether any changes to the notice are necessary. This matching program will be valid for 18 months from the effective date of this notice. This agreement shall be valid for 18 months from its effective date. The agreement may be renewed for up to an additional 12 months, if the conditions outlined in the Computer Matching Agreement are met and with the concurrence of the Data Integrity Boards of the participating agencies.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted through www.Regulations.gov

or mailed to VA Privacy Service (005R1A), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. Comments should indicate that they are submitted in response to CMA VBA/DoD MGIB and Post 9/11 (which uses records covered under SORN 58VA21/22/28). Comments received will be available at [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) for public viewing, inspection or copies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Schlias, Data Analytics Team Chief, Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (918) 658-1710.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This matching program supports VA's administration of education benefits by verifying eligibility information with the Department of Defense (DoD). The current agreement is being reestablished to continue these data exchanges and ensure accurate benefit determinations. The existing agreement expired on February 6, 2026.

The authority to conduct this match is found in 38 U.S.C. 3684A(a)(1). The records covered include eligibility records extracted from DoD personnel files and benefit records that VA establishes for all individuals who have applied for and/or are receiving or have received education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve, and the Post-9/11 GI Bill. These benefit records are contained in a VA system of records identified as 58VA21/22/28 entitled: Compensation, Pension, Education, and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Records—VA, first published in the **Federal Register** at 41 FR 9294 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 90 FR 44464 (September 15, 2025), with other amendments as cited therein.

Participating Agencies: This computer match is between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DoD).

Authority for Conducting the Matching Program: The authority to conduct this match is 38 U.S.C. 3684A(a)(1).

Purpose(s): This agreement establishes the conditions under which the Department of Defense (DoD) agrees to disclose information regarding eligibility to education benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill, Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve and the Post-9/11 GI Bill to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The purpose of this computer matching program between VA and DoD is to verify that individuals meet the conditions of military service

and eligibility criteria for payment of benefits determined by VA under three enacted programs.

Categories of Individuals: Veterans, Servicemembers, Reservists and Dependents.

Categories of Records: Department of Defense (DoD), as the source agency, will provide to VA the eligibility records on DoD individuals which contain specific data relating to eligibility requirements, including member contribution amounts, service periods, and transfer of entitlement. VA will match on attributes, including Social Security Number (SSN), DoD Electronic Data Interchange Personal Identifier (EDIPI or VA ID), Date of Birth, Last Name, and File Identification Number.

System(s) of Records: These benefit records are contained in a VA system of records identified as 58VA21/22/28 entitled: Compensation, Pension, Education, and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Records—VA, first published in the **Federal Register** at 41 FR 9294 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 90 FR 44464 (September 15, 2025) and eligibility records are extracted from a DoD system of records identified as DMDC 02, DoD, entitled “Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS),” published in the **Federal Register** at 87 FR 32384 (May 31, 2022).

Signing Authority: The Senior Agency Official for Privacy, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Lisa Rosenmerkel, Chief Privacy Officer and Chair of the Data Integrity Board, Department of Veterans Affairs approved this document on February 26, 2026 for publication.

Dated: April 8, 2026.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Create Payment Request for the VA Funding Fee Payment System (VA FFPS); A Computer Generated Funding Fee Receipt

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by May 11, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To submit comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection, please type the following link into your browser: www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, select “Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments”, then search the list for the information collection by Title or “OMB Control No. 2900-XXXX.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dorothy Glasgow, 202-461-1084, VAPRA@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Create Payment Request for the VA Funding Fee Payment System (VA FFPS); A Computer Generated Funding Fee Receipt.

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Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: A funding fee must be paid to VA before a loan can be guaranteed and evidence of guaranty issued. The funding fee is payable on all VA-guaranteed loans (*i.e.*, assumptions, manufactured housing, refinances, and real estate purchase and construction loans). Lenders are required to pay the funding fee in an internet-based application, VA Funding Fee Payment System (FFPS), that permits lenders to pay the funding fee online to obtain a