
Dear Grantees,

As of June 7, the Minnesota sex offender registry is no longer down and is consistently reporting to NSOPW.gov.

CNCS provided two options for grantees to obtain compliant checks during the outage:

1. Conduct NSOPW without Minnesota results on time and conduct an additional NSOPW check when the Minnesota system is restored.
2. Conduct NSOPW without Minnesota results on time and appropriately document an on time search of the Minnesota Department of Corrections that reflects name searched, results, and date of the check

For grantees that selected Option 1, any NSOPW results run during the outage that are missing MN must be re-conducted and documented.

- By **June 30, 2018**: Per CNCS's most recently issued guidance, grantees must re-conduct the check of the NSOPW for any individuals in covered positions whose NSOPW search did not return results that included Minnesota.
- If you do not conduct the check again or retain the result of Minnesota check, the NSOPW check will be considered noncompliant on and after **June 7, 2018**.
- Grantees must retain both the on-time, incomplete NSOPW and the supplemental NSOPW results.

- CNCS is aware that Minnesota’s sex offender registry was active intermittently during the months of the exemption. If you were able to obtain search results that included results from Minnesota during the exemption period, no further action is required.

For grantees able to conduct and document Option 2, NSOPW checks supplemented with a documented on time search of the Minnesota Department of Corrections that reflects name search, results and date of check is compliant and no further action is required.

All other eligibility requirements according to the NSCHC regulations will apply and disallowance will be enforced in accordance with CNCS policy.

Previous messages on this exemption period and other messages related to National Service Criminal History Check can be found on our [Knowledge Network page](#).

If you have questions, please contact your Program Officer or Grants Officer.

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