NSCHC COVID-19 ASP Extension to 3/31/21

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Dear Grant Recipients,

On May 21, AmeriCorps announced a National Service Criminal History Check (NSCHC) Alternative Search Procedure (ASP) process for grant recipients to request exemptions to NSCHC requirements, if unable to conduct full and complete NSCHC as a result of COVID-19. On Aug. 12, 2020, ASPs approved via this process were extended to Nov. 29, 2020 from Aug. 31, 2020. All COVID-19 ASP approvals have now been extended to Mar. 31, 2021.

As a result of the continued impact of the pandemic on the availability of FBI fingerprint checks Livescan appointments, this expiration date is extended to Mar. 31, 2021. All existing approved COVID-19 ASPs will be extended to Mar. 31, 2021.

ASPs requested via this process will not be effective until the date the grant recipient receives formal AmeriCorps approval and may not be applied retroactively to any criminal history checks that were completed prior to receiving ASP approval.

To request an ASP, click **here.**

Please submit ASPs to **CHC@cns.gov**

Please note that AmeriCorps-contracted national service criminal history check (NSCHC) vendors Fieldprint and Truescreen are operating. However, certain Livescan fingerprint locations may be closed due to business-specific reasons and/or local government requirements. Even if Livescan locations are closed, grant recipients can still initiate fingerprint checks. Please see FAQ 13 **here.**

For a list of closed Fieldprint Livescan sites (updated weekly), see **here.**

If you have any additional questions, contact **CHC@cns.gov**.