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Dear Grant Recipients,

On May 21, CNCS 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. ASPs approved via this process were to expire Aug. 31, 2020.

As a result of the continued impact of the pandemic on the availability of FBI fingerprint checks Livescan appointments, this expiration date is extended by 90 days to Nov. 29, 2020. All existing approved COVID-19 ASPs will be extended to Nov. 29, 2020.

ASPs requested via this process will not be effective until the date the grant recipient receives formal CNCS 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:

<https://www.nationalservice.gov/ASPExemptionsGuidance>

Please submit ASPs to CHC@cns.gov.

Please note that CNCS-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:

<https://nationalservice.gov/documents/2020/cncs-general-questions>

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

<https://www.nationalservice.gov/ASPExemptionsGuidance>

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

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