New NSHC Rule: Effective May 1

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AmeriCorps has published the national service criminal history check in the Federal Register. This rule was proposed and posted on January 8, 2020 and open for public comment from January 8, 2020, to March 9, 2020. AmeriCorps gave full consideration to the public comments provided, including public comments related to the mandatory use of the agency-approved NSCHC vendors.

The new rule is effective May 1, 2021 and applies to individuals covered by the rule who begin work or service on or after this date and who are required to complete the national service criminal history checks.

Individuals covered by the rule who start in work or service prior to May 1, 2021, and who will remain in work or service after November 1, 2021, must complete a national service criminal history check that complies with the final rule by November 1, 2021.

Read the Final Rule

AmeriCorps will offer training on the new requirements in March. Sign up now!

Register for Training

In the meantime, please read the new rule, summary information, and FAQs on our Knowledge Network page.

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