

C. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REPORTING INFORMATION SYSTEM (PARIS)

The PARIS data match occurs quarterly. The System retrieves information from the Department of Defense (DoD) and completes an interstate and a Veterans' Affairs (VA) match. PARIS is also used in determining if an individual is eligible for federal health care coverage (TriCare or Champus) and reports third-party liability (TPL). Verification is received through Data Exchange by The Office of Inspector General (OIG) and is compared to the information in the case record.

The client's SSN is used to retrieve the information. An electronic match may occur on one or more of the following:

1. Federal Match – A return on this match is initiated from the DoD and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM). The match indicates an individual is receiving income and includes records for active and retired federal civilian and military personnel. Health care coverage eligibility is also available in the federal match.
2. Interstate Match – A return on this match indicates an individual is enrolled for benefits in two or more states. The client will be notified and given an opportunity to contact OIG and resolve the inconsistency. If not disputed automatic disenrollment for the West Virginia program occurs for the matched individuals. If the individual is the primary person in the case, the entire case will close.
3. VA Match – A return on this match indicates an individual is receiving income and medical assistance payments from VA. Compensation and pension data are provided along with third-party liability information.

The process is administered by the Office of Inspector General's Investigations and Fraud Management Unit (OIG). When OIG determines action is necessary by the Worker, the Department will be notified. The information received is considered verified upon receipt. The Worker has 10 days to take the action specified.