C PARIS Interstate Match Report



The Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) is a data matching program between the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) and State Public Assistance Agencies (SPAA).

Policy

The purpose of this matching program is to identify <u>Public Assistance(g)</u> recipients receiving Public Assistance (PA) benefits in one or more states. The PA Reporting Information System (PARIS) data matches help identify improper payments and minimize fraud and abuse.

Quarterly each year, in March, June, September, and December, **all** of the following are completed:

- State Public Assistance Agencies (SPAA) provide a file of all active NA and CA recipients to the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC).
- DMDC completes and identifies matching demographic data between the files.
- DMDC sends the SPAA a PARIS Interstate Match Report.

For the state of Arizona, PARIS matches the Social Security Number (SSN) and date of birth of each adult in the budgetary unit against the participating SPAA files. When the demographic data matches and the other state's NA or CA benefit start date is prior to the benefit start date in Arizona, the PARIS Interstate Match Report is created and sent to FAA Systems.

When a PARIS match is made for an active NA or CA participant, it is considered unclear information(g). FAA completes **all** of the following:

- Reviews the information against the current case information.
- Determines whether additional verification is required. See <u>Verifying Reported</u> Changes for more information.

Procedures

PARIS matches are considered unclear information(g).

When FAA Systems receives the PARIS Interstate Match Report, a PARIS ACTS alert for each participant's case listed on the report is generated. FAA Systems autopopulates CADO with *all* of the following information:

- Date of the Job run.
- Name of each adult participant for whom a match was found.
- The last four digits of the participant's SSN.
- The state where the interstate match was found.

FAA staff are responsible for taking actions on the PARIS ACTS Alert. When the PARIS ACTS alert is received, complete **all** of the following:

- Review the <u>case file(g)</u> to determine whether information or documentation regarding Arizona residency and closure of the other state benefits has been addressed.
- When the unclear information has not been addressed, determine whether the budgetary unit is required to provide verification of the reported information. (See <u>Verifying Reported Changes</u> for more information.)
- When information in the case file suggests the unclear information is resolved or has provided by the budgetary unit, complete all of the following:

Close the PARIS ACTS Alert

Document the case file with the actions taken

Key R in the UNCLEAR INFO field on INDA to resolve the information

NOTE Do not remove the date keyed in the UNCLEAR INFO DATE field

 When FAA determines the budgetary unit must provide verification of the reported information, complete all of the following:

Attempt to contact the participant to discuss the reason for the match

Document the case file with the actions taken

NOTE Discussion points may include review of the EBT purchasing activity for out-of-state spending. For instructions on how to access EBT transaction screens, see EBT Transaction History (EBTH).

AZTECS Procedures

When the budgetary unit is required to provide verification and FAA is unable to contact the participant by phone, **all** of the following apply:

- Send the PARIS Interstate Match (C042) notice and extend the ACTS alert to the workday(g) following the information due date.
 - When the participant responds to the C042, take the appropriate actions, and document the <u>case file(g)</u>. When the participant reports a change, see <u>When to Effect Changes</u> for more information.
- When the participant fails to respond to the C042 by the deadline date, stop benefits the first month possible, and send the PARIS Closure (C206) notice, allowing for NOAA(g).
 - NOTE For compliance before or after the date of closure, see When to Effect Changes.
- Complete an inquiry to the other state to request the case status of each program for each participant indicated on CADO. For out of state contact information, see <u>Public Assistance State Contacts</u>.

- When a potential overpayment (OP) exists, complete the Potential Overpayment (OP) Referral (FAA-0526A) form. Email the FAA-0526A to the Overpayment Unit at <u>FAAOPUnit@azdes.gov</u>. and upload the FAA-0526A to OnBase.
- When EBT usage information is required from the other state, complete an inquiry to the other state. For out of state contact information, see <u>Public Assistance State</u> Contacts.

NOTE When the other state requires EBT usage information, advise the out of state contact to email their request to PARIS@azdes.gov.

Document all actions in the case file.

Legal Authorities

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1137 and 1903(r) of the Social Security Act (the Act)

42 U.S.C. §§ 602 1320b-7, and 1396b(r)

Prior Policy

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