

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Security Programs Division

MEMORANDUM

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To: Whom it May Concern

Re: Implementation of the new applicant-based online service (eCRC) using the BC Services Card

As follow-up to our correspondence on July 28th, 2021, this is to inform your organization about implementation of the new applicant-based online service (eCRC) using the <u>BC Services Card</u> as Electronic Identity Verification (EIV). We are excited to announce this new service is **now** available for your applicants that require a new criminal record check or for those requiring a re-check.

New eCRC service

- <u>Identity verification</u>: In the new eCRC system, an applicant's identity is verified using their BC Services Card. If the applicant is using the BC Services Card to access the online service for first time, they will be directed to activate their card by video or in person through Service BC. Please note if applicants choose to activate their card in person, a mobile device is still required (iPhone, iPad, or Android).
- <u>Cost</u>: There is no charge associated with activating a BC Services Card and the criminal record check fee (if applicable) has not changed.

New eCRC link

Please share the new eCRC link with your applicants who require a new criminal record check or those requiring a re-check:

Website: https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck

NOTE: Your organization access code has not changed.

Equifax - Phase out

If individuals do not meet the BC Services Card eligibility requirements, they will be re-directed to follow the current EIV process through Equifax or to submit their criminal record check through the manual process. Equifax will temporarily remain as an option for EIV for a transition period; however, this option will be phased out in the coming months.

Give us your feedback

We would appreciate hearing any feedback you may receive from your applicants accessing the new BC Services Card eCRC application. In addition, should you have any questions or concerns, please contact criminalrecords@gov.bc.ca.

Thank you for your support,

Jess Gunnarson,

Executive Director,

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