

Frequently Asked DOJ Questions and Answers

- 1. What is DOJ? What does this mean?** Department of Justice. This is a government agency that has a database of criminal records.
- 2. What is Live Scan?** Live Scan is the name of the technology that is used to scan fingerprints, which are then sent to the Department of Justice.
- 3. Do I have to pay for my criminal background check?** No, it is free to all Registry applicants.
- 4. What if I already did a background check?** You will still have to complete a new Live Scan fingerprint scan in order to join the Registry.
- 5. What if I was convicted of a crime in the past but served the time, or paid restitution?** If the conviction shows up in DOJ records then you cannot be on the Registry. If you want more information about your record, contact the automated Integrated Voice Response System (IVRS) at (916) 227-4557 to determine the status of your background check.
- 6. If I am working for someone and I do not pass, and they want to keep me as a Provider, can they?** They can keep you as an IP; you just won't be able to join the Registry.
- 7. If I don't have my fingerprinting done, can I still remain employed for the Consumer I am working for?** If the Consumer wants you to still work for them you can, however you will not be able to remain on the Registry.
- 8. How often will I be required to submit my fingerprints to remain on the Provider Registry?** As long as you remain active on the Registry, you will not have to submit your fingerprints again.
- 9. What if I pass my initial DOJ fingerprint scan and then I am later arrested or convicted of a felony?** The Registry receives a "Subsequent Arrest Notice" which informs us that you have either been arrested or convicted. If convicted, you will be immediately removed from the Registry.

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