# CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK AND CREDIT REPORT AUTHORIZATION

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## **Policy**

State agencies may require an individual licensee to complete an updated Criminal Background Check (CBC) and credit report as a part of a renewal request. This page allows an individual to complete the CBC and/or credit report authorization as a part of the renewal attestation workflow.

This page only appears if one or more of the licenses selected have a CBC or credit report requirement. Only one checkbox will appear if one or more of the licenses selected requires only the CBC or credit report.



Figure 1: CBC and/or Credit Report Authorization Page

During the renewal period, the System relies on CBC settings provided by regulators. If a state requires a new CBC during renewal and a CBC has been authorized within the last 90 days, regulators have the option to either accept the 90 day look-back or require a new CBC authorization.

Additionally, if a state requires a new credit report during renewal and a credit report has been authorized within the last 30 days, regulators have the option to either accept the 30 day look-back or require a new credit report authorization.

Details about state-specific CBC and credit report requirements, including look-back period information can be found on the <u>Streamlined Annual Renewals page</u> of the NMLS Resource Center.

### **Definitions and Charts**

Not Applicable

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## **How to Authorize a CBC and Credit Report**

- 1. Select the checkboxes to authorize a criminal background check and/or credit report (see Figure 2).
- 2. Click the **Next** button (see *Figure 2*).



Figure 2: Screenshot of CBC and/or Credit Report Authorization Page

## **Additional Resources**

- Streamlined Annual Renewal Page on NMLS Resource Center
- Renewal Handbook for Individuals
- How to Attest (Company Paying Renewal Fees) Quick Guide
- How to Attest (Individual paying Renewal Fees) Quick Guide

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