

How does Continuous Evaluation identify adverse information?

CE utilizes business rules and automated records checks to identify relevant adjudicative information to assist in assessing the continued eligibility of an individual at any time during the period of eligibility.



What happens when adverse information is found?

If adverse or previously unreported information is identified through this process, CE alerts the sponsoring department or agency to analyze the potentially adverse information to determine if additional adjudicative actions are required. If information identified during CE requires further adjudication and a decision is made by the sponsoring department or agency to deny or revoke eligibility, the individual shall be afforded a review proceeding or due process.

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Continuous Evaluation (CE) Awareness

This job aid provides a high-level overview of the Security Executive Agent Directive 6 (SEAD 6).



SECURITY EXECUTIVE AGENT DIRECTIVE 6

Security Executive Agent Directive 6 (SEAD 6) establishes policy and requirements for the Continuous Evaluation (CE) of individuals who require continued eligibility for access to classified information or eligibility to hold a sensitive position. CE is an integral part of reform efforts to modernize personnel security practices and increase the timeliness of information reviewed between periodic reinvestigation cycles by providing real-time feedback to support the reinvestigation processes.

What is Continuous Evaluation?

CE is a personnel security investigative process and a key component of security clearance reform efforts to modernize personnel security practices and increase the timeliness of information reviewed between period reinvestigation cycles.



How does Continuous Evaluation work?

CE is supported by automated records checks to provide real-time, relevant data to the appropriate officials, improve capability for early detection of adverse information and high-risk behaviors, and mitigate risk to national security.

Who is subject to Continuous Evaluation?

All individuals who are eligible to access classified information or hold a sensitive position are subject to Continuous Evaluation. This includes federal civilian employees, contractors, and military personnel.

Did I authorize my participation in Continuous Evaluation?

Those subject to CE authorize the U.S. Government to perform Continuous Evaluation checks by signing the Standard Form 86, or equivalent form, for release of information and submission to either an initial or periodic background investigation.

What type of information does Continuous Evaluation monitor?

The discrepant or potentially disqualifying information is acquired from automated records checks to include checks of commercial databases, U.S. Government databases, and other information lawfully available to security officials at any time during the period of eligibility. This is the same information that is reviewed during national security background investigations and follows the same privacy protections.

