

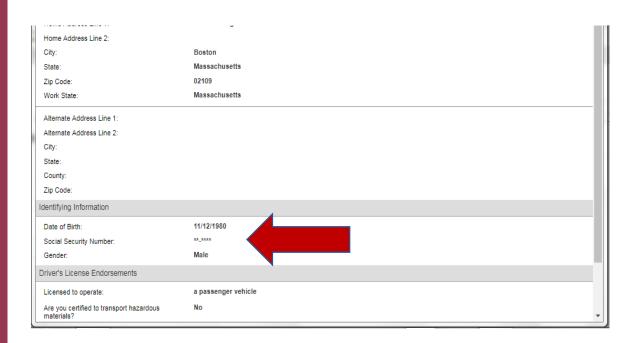
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<u>Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) and Nationwide</u> <u>Sex Offender Search Information (SORI)</u>

Beginning September 9, 2020, all volunteers who register to be part of MA Responds must undergo a Massachusetts Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check and a Nationwide Sex Offender Search (SORI). In order to be considered a member of a MA Responds unit and deployable as a volunteer, both checks must be resolved in a satisfactory manner. With this change, only the last six digits of the volunteer's social security number will be required when registering on MA Responds in order to run the CORI check.

The SORI will be run through the MA Responds system using a Nationwide Sex Offender Database Search which provides a report with publicly available sex offender registries from all states, as well as from the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Some states may also include violent offender information.

For protection, after a volunteer enters the last six digits of their SS# and completes their registration on the MA Responds site, the system automatically encrypts the last six digits of the SS# so it is not visible to anyone.





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More information regarding MA Responds background searches and Criminal Record checks can be found by clicking on the homepage:



Directions for Completing the CORI Form

Once you have completed your registration or logged in to your MA Responds account, please remember to complete your background check CORI form.

- Click on My Profile Tab
- Click on Background Check Tab
- Click on View Details link on CORI line
- Click on Edit Background Check Form link in the upper left corner
- Enter information in the fields that are marked with an asterisk *
- Click save at the bottom of the page
- Follow instructions in the blue box and review your information
- Click on the box "Open Populated CORI Form"
- Open the pdf
- Print, verify the last 6 digits of your social security number are entered, sign, have your photo ID verified per instructions on the CORI form and mail to DPH