

ChoicePoint (www.choicepoint.com)

Located near Atlanta, ChoicePoint has grown from being the nation's premier source of data to the insurance industry, into the premier provider of intelligence to businesses and the government. They have 4,200 employees in more than 50 locations, provide volunteer and employee screenings for many non-profits, and have a close relationship with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

ChoicePoint has offered PCA America and its affiliates a 90% discounted flat fee of \$5.00 per person for each nationwide criminal check. The average going rate for this type of search is between \$30-\$35 per person. This is a basic criminal record screening. More involved screenings would vary in price, but would still be discounted at a rate of 90%. They will also waive our set-up fees. A screening survey that was done by ChoicePoint for non-profits is included at the end of this document for your reference and information.

This discounted rate would extend to all chapters and their affiliates, HFA sites and Circle of Parents networks, and each location could have its own account – the networks would operate as separate entities within ChoicePoint's system.

If you'd like to read about ChoicePoint's services and view example reports, visit www.volunteersselectplus.com. The sign-up process is really simple and fast.

Following is a listing of the databases they use. To learn more about the databases and where the data comes from, visit this page (it's quite detailed):

http://www.volunteersselectplus.com/hdocs/Product_Description.html

The ChoicePoint National Criminal File provides an instant comprehensive search of multiple criminal record sources, including:

- + Federal Fugitive files
- + Department of Corrections prison, parole and release files
- + Administrative Office of Courts records
- + State criminal record repositories
- + ChoicePoint proprietary information
- + Prison parole and release files
- + Records from other state agencies
- + Sex Offender Registries - 33 states and the District of Columbia (AL, AK, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, ID, IL, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MI, MN, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT, WV, and WY.)

This exclusive criminal search includes access to more than 200 million criminal records all 50 states. Typically used as a supplement to a single county courthouse search, as the National Criminal File does not include all criminal convictions. New criminal record data is added regularly with proprietary data added daily. This FCRA-compliant database search is exclusively owned and maintained by ChoicePoint.

ChoicePoint National Criminal File is not the same search as the FBI's file (NCIC) search, but offers instant results on a search against approximately 200 million criminal records, significantly lower cost and doesn't require fingerprints. The number of criminal records contained in the database varies from state to state (for more details [click here](#)). The National Criminal File Instant Search is a search against all repositories in the database. Local courthouse searches are an appropriate supplement to National Criminal File searches and are described below.

Following are the discounted rates as well as the recommended packages:

<http://www.volunteersselectplus.com/hdocs/Packages.html> The reason there are different suggested packages in each state is that some states have better data reporting, so ChoicePoint recommends doing a social security verification and national criminal file, but in other states, they recommend adding a separate county level search or sex offender search since the data does not flow as well to the national level in those states.

There are no minimums or maximums for this pricing. Once the networks are signed up, they can do as many or as few as they wish.

There is no expiration date on these prices.

If you are interested in taking ChoicePoint up on their offer, please do the following: (your affiliates are welcome to join in on the discounted rates, and can even have their own accounts if that is easier).

To sign up:

1. To sign up, each chapter/network/affiliate/office that wants an account should go to this website: www.volunteersselectplus.com.
2. Then click "Sign up now" on the menu down the left side of the screen.
3. Each person that will be administering the screening should fill out the form there and enter "PCA" in the promotional code section.

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