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#### 1. Agency References

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| a. VA References for Social Media | The following VA references relating to social media are provided:   * [VA Directive 6001, Limited Personal use of Government Office Equipment Including Information Technology](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=2&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6102, Internet/Intranet Services](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=410&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6221, Accessible Electronic and Information Technology (EIT)](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=16&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6361, Ensuring Quality of Information Disseminated by VA](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=48&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6500, Information Security Program](http://vaww.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=374&FType=2) * [VA Directive 6502, VA Enterprise Privacy Program](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=404&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6502.3, Web Page Privacy Policy](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=545&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6507, Reducing the Use of Social Security Numbers](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=417&amp;FType=2) * [VA Directive 6515, Use of Web Based Collaboration Technologies](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=551&amp;FType=2), and * [VA Directive 6600, Responsibility of employees and Others Supporting VA in Protecting Personally Identifiable Information (PII).](http://www1.va.gov/vapubs/viewPublication.asp?Pub_ID=341&amp;FType=2) * [VA Social Media Directory](http://www.va.gov/opa/socialmedia.asp) |

#### 2. Federal References

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| a. Federal References Relating to Social Media | The following Federal references relating to social media are provided:   * [Section 508 Requirements](http://www.section508.gov/) * [E-Government Act of 2002](http://www.archives.gov/about/laws/egov-act-section-207.html) * [FOIA Regulations: CFR 1.550-1.559 - Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)](http://www.foia.va.gov/FOIA_Regulations_1550.asp) * [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996, Public Law 104-191, 42 USC 1320d](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-104publ191/html/PLAW-104publ191.htm) * [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA): Privacy Rule, 45 CFR Part 160](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_07/45cfr160_07.html) * [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA): Security Rule, 45 CFR Part 164](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_07/45cfr164_07.html) * [THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a -- As Amended](http://www.justice.gov/opcl/privstat.htm) * [United States Code: Title 38,5701. Confidential nature of claims | LII / Legal Information Institute](https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/38/5701) * [United States Code: Title 38,SUBCHAPTER III—INFORMATION SECURITY | LII / Legal Information Institute](http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/html/uscode38/usc_sup_01_38_10_IV_20_57_30_III.html), and * [Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA Patriot Act), Public Law 107-56, Title II](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-107publ56/pdf/PLAW-107publ56.pdf) * [DigitalGov Social Media Community](https://www.digitalgov.gov/communities/social-media/) |