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Forthcoming PCTF releases will expand, clarify, and refine the content of this document.

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1 Introduction to the PCTF Verified Login Conformance Criteria

This document specifies the Conformance Criteria of the PCTF Verified Login Component, a component of the Pan-Canadian Trust Framework (PCTF). For a general introduction to the Pan-Canadian PCTF, please see the PCTF Model Overview. The PCTF Model Overview provides the PCTF's goals and objectives, a high-level model outline of the PCTF, and contextual information.

Each PCTF component is made up of two documents:

1. Overview – Introduces the subject matter of the component. The overview provides information essential to understanding the conformance criteria of the component. This includes definitions of key terms, concepts, and the Trusted Processes that are part of the component.
2. Conformance profile – Specifies the Conformance Criteria used to standardize and assess the integrity of the Trusted Processes that are part of the component.

The Conformance Criteria specified herein are used to ensure that Verified Login Trusted Processes result in the representation of a unique subject and a Level of Assurance that it is the same subject with each successful login to an Authentication Service Provider. Relying parties can then rely upon the assurance to uniquely identify the subject within their application or program space.

1.1 About PCTF Conformance Criteria

The PCTF promotes trust through a set of auditable business and technical requirements for various processes.

A process is a business or technical activity (or set of such activities) that transforms an input condition to an output condition – an output on which other processes often depend. Conformance Criteria are the requirements and specifications that comprise a standard for these processes. They can be used to assess the integrity of a process. In the PCTF context, a process is designated a Trusted Process when it is audited and certified as conforming to Conformance Criteria defined in a PCTF conformance profile.

The integrity of a process is paramount because many participants—across jurisdictional, organizational, and sectoral boundaries and over the short-term and long-term—rely on the output of that process. Conformance criteria are therefore central to the trust framework because they specify the requirements that ensure process integrity.

Note

- PCTF Conformance Criteria are intended to complement existing legislation and regulations. Digital identity ecosystem participants are expected meet the legislative and regulatory requirements (e.g., all privacy laws and regulations) applicable in their jurisdictions. For example, any entity carrying out a Verified Login Trusted Process that has access to a Subject's personal information is bound by applicable privacy laws.

64 2 Verified Login Conventions

65 Each PCTF component includes conventions that ensure consistent use and interpretation of
66 terms and concepts appearing in the component. **The PCTF Verified Login Component**
67 **Overview provides conventions for this component.** These conventions include definitions
68 and descriptions of the following items that are referred to in this conformance profile:

- 69 • Key terms and concepts
- 70 • Abbreviation and acronyms
- 71 • Roles
- 72 • Levels of Assurance
- 73 • Trusted Processes and associated conditions

74 Note

- 75 • Conventions may vary between PCTF components. Readers are encouraged to review
76 the conventions for each PCTF component they are reading.
- 77 • Defined Terms – For purposes of this conformance profile, terms and definitions listed in
78 both the PCTF Verified Login Component Overview and the PCTF Glossary apply. Key
79 terms and concepts described and defined in this section, or the PCTF Verified Login
80 Component Overview, or the PCTF Glossary are capitalized throughout this document.
- 81 • Hypertext Links – Hypertext links may be embedded in electronic versions of this
82 document. All links were accessible at time of writing.

83 2.1 Conformance Criteria Keywords

84 Throughout this document the following terms indicate the precedence and/or general rigidity of
85 the conformance criteria and are to be interpreted as noted below.

- 86 • **MUST** means that the requirement is absolute as part of the conformance criteria.
- 87 • **MUST NOT** means that the requirement is an absolute prohibition of the conformance
88 criteria.
- 89 • **SHOULD** means that while there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances to
90 ignore the requirement, the full implications must be understood and carefully weighed
91 before not choosing to adhere to the conformance criteria or choosing a different option
92 as specified by the conformance criteria.
- 93 • **SHOULD NOT** means that valid reasons may exist in particular circumstances when the
94 requirement is acceptable or even useful, however, the full implications should be
95 understood and the case carefully weighed before choosing to not conform to the
96 requirement as described.
- 97 • **MAY** means that the requirement is discretionary but recommended.

98 Note

- 99 • The above listed keywords appear in **bold** typeface and ALL CAPS throughout this
100 conformance profile.

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102 3 Verified Login Conformance Criteria

103 The following sections define Conformance Criteria that are essential requirements for the
 104 Trusted Processes of Verified Login Component. The Verified Login Trusted Process are:

- 105 1. Credential Issuance
- 106 2. Authentication
- 107 3. Authenticated Session Initiation
- 108 4. Authenticated Session Termination
- 109 5. Credential Suspension
- 110 6. Credential Recovery
- 111 7. Credential Maintenance
- 112 8. Credential Revocation

113 Conformance criteria are categorized by Trusted Process and profiled in terms of Levels of
 114 Assurance. Conformance Criteria are grouped by topic within each category. For ease of
 115 reference, a specific conformance criterion may be referred to by its category and reference
 116 number. Example: "BASE1" refers to "Baseline Conformance Criteria reference No. 1".

117 **Note**

- 118 • Baseline Conformance Criteria are also included as part of this conformance profile.
- 119 • Conformance Criteria specified in other PCTF components of may also be applicable to
 120 Verified Login Trusted Processes under certain circumstances.
- 121 • Notification Conformance Criteria specified in this conformance profile represent only
 122 those notifications specific to processes in the context of the PCTF Verified Login
 123 Component. See the PCTF Notice and Consent Component for additional notification-
 124 related Conformance Criteria
- 125 • LOA 4 is out of scope for this version. Reference is retained as a placeholder for future
 126 development.

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	
127	BASE	Baseline				
128	EVENT LOGGING					
129	1	Credential management and use events MAY be logged and MAY be retained for a predefined period of time as evidence.	Y			
130	2	Credential management and use events MUST be logged and retained for a predefined period of time as evidence. The log MUST be traceable back to a specific Credential and include the result and date and time of the event. The logs MUST be protected by access controls to limit access only to those who require it.		Y	Y	

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
131	3	The logs MUST have a tamper-detection mechanism to detect unauthorized modifications.			Y	
132	4	Personal information and authenticator secrets (e.g., passwords, OTP values, security questions, security answers) MUST NOT be logged within the service.	Y	Y	Y	
133	INFORMATION SECURITY					
134	5	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MAY ensure i) the integrity, ii) the confidentiality, and iii) the availability of the service by adhering to a set of information security guidelines and controls (e.g., CSEC ITSG-33) that support these efforts.	Y			
135	6	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST ensure i) the integrity, ii) the confidentiality, and iii) the availability of the service by adhering to a set of information security guidelines and controls (e.g., CSEC ITSG-33) that support these efforts. The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST have an auditable process to demonstrate adherence to a set of information security guidelines and controls.		Y		
136	7	In addition to the LOA2 requirements, the Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST have an independently audited process to demonstrate adherence.			Y	
137	IT SERVICE MANAGEMENT					
	8	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD have a documented service management practice for all aspects of the service it provides related to verified login Trusted Processes.	Y			
138	9	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST have a documented and auditable service management practice for all aspects of the service it provides related to verified login Trusted Processes.		Y		

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
139	10	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST have a documented and independently audited service management practice for all aspects of the service it provides related to verified login Trusted Processes.			Y	
140	11	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD adhere to an industry standard service management framework, such as ITIL .	Y	Y		
141	12	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST adhere to an industry standard service management framework such as ITIL .			Y	
142	MONITORING					
143	13	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD have the ability to monitor the service for indications or evidence of potential Credential misuse or compromise.	Y			
144	14	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST have the ability to monitor the service for indications or evidence of potential Credential misuse or compromise.		Y	Y	
145	15	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD take measures to detect actual misuse of the Credential.	Y			
146	16	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST take measures to detect actual misuse of the Credential.		Y	Y	
147	17	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD initiate the Credential Suspension process, the Credential Maintenance process, or the Credential Revocation process when it finds actionable indications of Credential misuse or compromise.	Y			
148	18	The Credential Service Provider MUST initiate the Credential Suspension process, the Credential Maintenance process, or the Credential Revocation process when it finds actionable indications of Credential misuse or compromise.		Y	Y	

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
149	PRIVACY				
150	19 The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD adhere to the privacy risk management practices of the PCTF and any selected Conformance Profiles.	Y			
151	20 The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST adhere to the privacy risk management practices of the PCTF and any selected Conformance Profiles.		Y	Y	
152	21 The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST adhere to the privacy risk management practices that are accepted by all parties participating in the digital ID service.		Y	Y	
153	NOTIFICATIONS				
154	22 The Credential Service Provider MAY notify the Subject of any changes to Credential information (e.g., password update, adding or removing Authenticators).	Y			
155	23 The Credential Service Provider SHOULD notify the Subject of any changes to Credential information (e.g., password update, adding or removing authenticators).		Y		
156	24 The Credential Service Provider MUST notify the Subject of any changes to Credential information (e.g., password update, adding or removing authenticators).			Y	
157	CDIS Credential Issuance	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
158	BINDING A SUBJECT				
159	1 The Credential Service Provider SHOULD enforce that the Credential is only bound to one Subject.	Y			
160	2 The Credential Service Provider MUST enforce that the Credential is only bound to one Subject.		Y	Y	
161	3 The Credential Service Provider MAY document the Level of Assurance of the Subject's identity when the Credential was issued.	Y	Y	Y	

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
162	4	The Credential Service Provider MUST make information available to Authentication Service Providers about the current state of all Credentials it has issued (e.g., if a credential is an “Inaccessible Credential” or a “Revoked Credential”, this status information MUST be available to Authentication Service Providers).	Y	Y	Y	
163	BINDING AUTHENTICATORS					
164	5	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability to bind a Subject-provided Authenticator to the Credential.	Y	Y	Y	
165	6	The Credential Service Provider MUST bind at least one Authenticator to the Credential. (e.g., password, Q&A, or OTP).	Y	Y	Y	
166	7	At least two different Authenticators SHOULD be bound to the Credential such that recovery of one from loss or theft is possible using another Authenticator.		Y		
167	8	At least one additional Authenticator MUST exist and be bound to the Credential such that recovery of the primary Authenticator (e.g., from loss or theft of the primary Authenticator) is possible.			Y	
168	9	Additional Authenticators, which could be used for recovery purposes, MUST be the same or higher LOA as the Authenticator to be recovered.		Y	Y	
169	AUTHENTICATOR CREATION					
170	10	When the Authenticator is created (e.g., hardware OTP device OR software OTP), the creator MUST have an auditable quality management process.		Y		
171	11	When the Authenticator is created (e.g., hardware OTP device OR software OTP), the creator MUST have an Independently Audited quality management process.			Y	

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
172	12	When the Authenticator uses information embedded by a manufacturer (e.g., hardware OTP device OR software OTP), the Credential Service Provider MUST ensure that there is an auditable security management process that protects that information from compromise beginning from manufacture time through delivery to the Credential Service Provider.		Y		
173	13	When the Authenticator uses information embedded by a manufacturer (e.g., hardware OTP device OR software OTP), the Credential Service Provider MUST ensure that there is an Independently Audited security management process that protects that information from compromise beginning from manufacture time through delivery to the Credential Service Provider.			Y	
174	CREDENTIAL STORAGE					
175	14	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider SHOULD enforce access controls to prevent unauthorized access to the Credential information.	Y			
176	15	The Credential Service Provider/Authentication Service Provider MUST enforce access controls to prevent unauthorized access to the Credential information.		Y	Y	
177	16	Any secrets bound to the Credential MUST be either stored as a salted hash or stored encrypted.		Y	Y	
178	17	Any Credential attributes containing personal information that are stored within the service MUST be secured (e.g., encrypted and/or hashed).	Y	Y	Y	
179	18	Backups of Credential information MUST be encrypted prior to being transferred to long term storage and MUST remain encrypted while in storage.		Y	Y	
180	19	Cryptographic modules MUST meet an industry recognized validation standard (e.g., FIPS 140-2).			Y	

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	
181	AUTH	Authentication				
182	AUTHENTICATORS					
183	1	The Authentication Service Provider MUST require at least a single Authenticator be bound to a Credential.	Y	Y		
184	2	If only a single Authenticator is required, that Authenticator MUST be of an Authenticator Type that is either "something the Subject knows" or "something the Subject has". "Something the Subject is or does" Authenticator Type MUST only be used as secondary Authenticators.		Y		
185	3	The Authentication Service Provider MUST require at least two different Authenticators that i) provide different Authentication Factors and ii) are not susceptible to the same threat vectors.			Y	
186	4	One of the Authenticators MUST be of type that is "something the Subject has". The other Authenticator(s) MAY be an Authenticator Type that is either "something the Subject knows" or "something the Subject is or does".			Y	
187	5	The Authentication Service Provider MUST consult any information made available by the Credential Service Provider to determine the current state of a Credential.	Y	Y	Y	
188	6	The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD NOT indicate a successful authentication result (Authenticated Credential) where the presented Credential is an Inaccessible Credential or a Revoked Credential.	Y			
189	7	The Authentication Service Provider MUST NOT indicate a successful authentication result (Authenticated Credential) where the presented Credential is an Inaccessible Credential or a Revoked Credential		Y	Y	
190	AUTHENTICATOR TYPE					
191	8	Any Authenticator Type is acceptable.	Y			

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
192	9	The Authentication Service Provider MUST utilize industry standard or industry best practice for authentication (e.g., standards developed and approved by Kantara, W3C, IETF or FIDO Alliance).		Y	Y	
193	10	The Authentication Service Provider MUST use Authenticator Types that are resistant to the threats listed in AUTH13 .			Y	
194	THREAT MITIGATION					
195	11	The Authentication Service Provider MUST be capable of defending against at least the following types of attacks: Authenticator secret guessing and replay attacks. This MAY be included in the scope of the guidelines described in BASE5 .	Y			
196	12	The Authentication Service Provider MUST be capable of defending against at least the following types of attacks: Authenticator secret guessing, replay, eavesdropping, and session hijacking. This MUST be included in the scope of the auditable process described in BASE6 .		Y		
197	13	The Authentication Service Provider MUST be capable of defending against at least the following types of attacks: Authenticator secret guessing, replay, eavesdropping, session hijacking, impersonation/phishing, and man-in-the-middle attacks (e.g., using mutually authenticated TLS). This MUST be included in the scope of the independently audit process required by BASE7 .			Y	
198	ADAPTIVE RISK					
199	14	The Authentication Service Provider MAY provide the ability to perform Adaptive Risk Authentication.	Y			
200	15	The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability to perform Adaptive Risk Authentication.		Y		

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
201	16	<p>The Authentication Service Provider MUST detect and mitigate interactions that represent higher-than-typical risk, based on information from the context of the authentication (such as transactions that originate from an unexpected location or channel for a Subject, or that indicate an unexpected hardware or software configuration)</p> <p>-or-</p> <p>The Authentication Service Provider MUST treat every interaction as one that represents the greatest possible risk that the Authentication Service Provider can support for such an interaction.</p>			Y	
202	CRYPTOGRAPHIC MODULE					
203	17	Any cryptographic modules used in client-side authentication MUST meet an industry recognized validation standard (e.g., FIPS 140-2 or equivalent).			Y	
204	AUTHENTICATION RESULT					
205	18	The Authentication Service Provider MUST return a success only when the Subject has successfully completed their authentication attempt.	Y	Y	Y	
206	19	The Authentication Service Provider MUST return failure to an authentication attempt when the presented Credential is suspended or revoked or Credential misuse or compromise is detected.	Y	Y	Y	
207	20	<p>The Authentication Service Provider MUST provide a mechanism that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirms that the authentication result was originated by the Authentication Service Provider 2. Was not tampered with in transit 3. Is only usable by the Relying Party 		Y	Y	
208	21	The authentication result MUST be valid for a maximum period of time that is i) specified by the Authentication Service Provider and ii) known to the Relying Party.		Y	Y	

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	
209	INSE	Authenticated Session Initiation				
210	INITIATE SESSION					
211	1	The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability to maintain a session binding with all Relying Parties.	Y			
212	2	The Authentication Service Provider MUST provide the ability to maintain a session binding with all Relying Parties.		Y	Y	
213	3	If the Subject authenticates at LOA2, the session MUST be considered LOA2.		Y		
214	4	If the Subject authenticates at LOA3, the session MUST be considered LOA3.			Y	
215	RE-AUTHENTICATION					
216	5	The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD require the Subject to re-authenticate after a predefined period of time or event as determined by a risk-based approach (e.g., when a single sign-on attempt is made to another Relying Party in a federation).	Y			
217	6	The Authentication Service Provider MUST require the Subject to re-authenticate after a predefined period of time or event as determined by a risk-based approach (e.g., when a single sign-on attempt is made to another Relying Party in a federation or when a Relying Party requests re-authentication).		Y	Y	
218	7	The Authentication Service Provider MAY extend session timeouts.	Y			
219	8	If the re-authentication is at least LOA2, the session timeouts MAY be extended but MUST match original level and meet all authentication criteria listed above.		Y		
220	9	If the re-authentication is at least LOA3, the session timeouts MAY be extended but MUST match original level and meet all authentication criteria listed above.			Y	
221	TESE	Authenticated Session Termination				
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
222	SESSION TIMEOUT				
223	1 The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD enforce a maximum session time to force re-authentication in a federated single sign-on scenario after the predefined session time.	Y			
224	2 The Authentication Service Provider MUST enforce a maximum session time to force re-authentication in a federated single sign-on scenario after the predefined session time.		Y	Y	
225	3 The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD enforce a maximum session inactivity time to force re-authentication in a federated single sign-on scenario after the predefined session time.	Y			
226	4 The Authentication Service Provider MUST enforce a maximum session inactivity time to force re-authentication in a federated single sign-on scenario after the predefined session time.		Y	Y	
227	5 Maximum session time and maximum session inactivity values at LOA3 SHOULD be shorter than for those for LOA2.			Y	
228	6 A session timeout due to exceeding maximum session time or maximum session inactivity time at LOA3, MAY result in either a session termination, or a downgrade to a LOA2 session.			Y	
229	7 In the case of a session downgrade: 1. the Authentication Service Provider MUST notify all Relying Parties associated to the LOA3 session; and 2. the session timeouts due to exceeding maximum session time or maximum session inactivity time MAY be extended to their LOA2 values (minus the time which has already passed).			Y	
230	TERMINATE SESSION				
231	8 The Authentication Service Provider SHOULD notify all Relying Parties that the session has been terminated.	Y			
232	9 The Authentication Service Provider MUST notify all Relying Parties that the session has been terminated.		Y	Y	

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
233	CRSP	Credential Suspension	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
234	SUBJECT INITIATED					
235	1	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability for a Subject to suspend the use of its Credential.	Y	Y	Y	
236	HUMAN INITIATED					
237	2	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability for authorized personnel to suspend the use of a Credential.	Y	Y	Y	
238	3	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD enforce access controls to ensure only authorized personnel have access to this process.	Y			
239	4	The Credential Service Provider MUST enforce access controls to ensure only authorized personnel have access to this process.		Y	Y	
240	5	In addition to requirements specified for LOA2, the Credential Service Provider MUST require authorized personnel to provide a LOA3 or higher Credential in order to suspend the use of a Credential.			Y	
241	CRVY	Credential Recovery	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
242	SUBJECT INITIATED					
243	1	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability to recover a lost or suspended Credential.	Y			
244	2	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD require the Subject to authenticate with a LOA equivalent to that of the Credential being recovered.	Y			
245	3	The Credential Service Provider MUST provide the ability to recover a lost or suspended Credential.		Y	Y	
246	4	The Credential Service Provider MUST require the Subject to authenticate with a LOA equivalent to that of the Credential being recovered.		Y	Y	
247	HUMAN INITIATED					

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
248	5	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability for authorized personnel to initiate a Credential Recovery on behalf of the Subject.	Y	Y	Y	
249	6	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD enforce access controls to ensure only authorized personnel have access to this process.	Y			
250	7	The Credential Service Provider MUST enforce access controls to ensure only authorized personnel have access to this process.		Y	Y	
251	8	In addition to requirements specified for LOA2, the Credential Service Provider MUST require authorized personnel to provide a LOA3 or higher Credential in order to recover a Credential.			Y	
252	SYSTEM INITIATED					
253	9	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability to automatically recover a suspended Credential (e.g., automatically reactivate a Credential previously suspended due to too many failed login attempts).	Y	Y	Y	
254	CRMA	Credential Maintenance	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
255	SUBJECT INITIATED					
256	1	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability to update the Authenticators bound to the Credential where possible (e.g., password change, bind a new Authenticator).	Y			
257	2	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD provide the ability to allow the Credential attributes (e.g., password, Q&A, recovery codes) to be modified.	Y			
258	3	The Credential Service Provider MUST provide the ability to update the Authenticators bound to the Credential where possible (e.g., password change, change of PIN, refresh face image on file with more recent image, or change of private key)		Y	Y	
259	4	The Credential Service Provider MUST provide the ability to allow the Credential attributes (e.g., password, Q&A, recovery codes, cryptographic keys, biometrics, aliases, DIDs) to be modified.		Y	Y	

	Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
260	5	The Credential Service Provider MUST require authentication at a LOA equivalent to or greater than the LOA of the Credential attribute (e.g., password, Q&A, recovery codes, cryptographic keys, biometrics, aliases, DIDs) being modified. For example, a Subject logged using a single-factor password should not be able to modify recovery codes, OTP values.		Y	Y	
261	HUMAN INITIATED					
262	6	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability to allow authorized personnel to update the Authenticators bound to the Credential (e.g., remove an Authenticator or initiate a password change).	Y	Y	Y	
263	7	The Credential Service Provider MAY provide the ability to allow authorized personnel to update the Credential attributes.	Y	Y	Y	
264	8	The Credential Service Provider MUST enforce access controls to ensure only authorized personnel have access to this process.	Y	Y	Y	
265	9	In addition to requirements specified for LOA2, the Credential Service Provider MUST require authorized personnel to provide a LOA3 or higher Credential in order to perform Credential maintenance.			Y	
266	10	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD require the Subject to complete any administrator initiated Credential activities (e.g., an administrator cannot change the Subjects password only initiate a reset).	Y			
267	11	The Credential Service Provider MUST require the Subject to complete any administrator initiated Credential activities (e.g., an administrator cannot change the Subjects password only initiate a reset).		Y	Y	
268	SYSTEM INITIATED					
269	12	The Credential Service Provider SHOULD enforce Authenticator complexity requirements and periodic Authenticator refresh (e.g., Q&A complexity requirements, password updates, OTP updates).	Y			

Reference	Conformance Criteria	Level of Assurance (LOA)			
270	13		Y	Y	
271	CRVX	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
272	SUBJECT INITIATED				
273	1	Y			
274	2		Y	Y	
275	HUMAN INITIATED				
276	3	Y			
277	4		Y	Y	
278	5	Y	Y	Y	
279	6			Y	

Table 1. PCTF Verified Login Component Conformance Criteria