

Income Underwriting
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Agenda

- Grossing up
- Rental Income
- Self-employment Income
- Contract Workers income
- Foreign Income
- Income from Commissions
- Military Income
- Part time/Second Job Income/Seasonal Work and unemployment income
- · Other types of income
 - Lenders Handbook Chapter 4, Section 2 and 3

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Grossing up

- Only non-taxable income can be grossed up
 - Tax tables should be used to determine the percentage
- Veteran receiving only non-taxable income
 - Refer to tax table as if the income was taxable (usually 15%)







Testing your knowledge Question: If a borrower rents out their property 10 months before purchasing a new property with a VA loan, can we consider that income? VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs myVA Testing your knowledge Question: If a borrower rents out their property 10 months before purchasing a new property with a VA loan, can we consider that income? Answer: No, this would not be included in effective income. my**VA** VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Rental Income Multi-Unit Property Securing VA Loan • Required documentation: - Evidence of cash reserves totaling at least 6 monu payments (PITI) - Prior experience managing rental units or background involving property maintenance and rental Analysis: Rental income as effective income - 75% of prior rents collected on the units or - Appraiser's opinion of the property's fair monthly rental my**VA** VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Rental Income, continued

Rental of Property Occupied Prior to New Loan

- Required documentation:
 - Rental agreement
 - Information on current rental market
- Analysis:
 - Prospective rental income can only be used to offset the mortgage payment on the rental property
 - This rental income may NOT be included in effective income







Rental Income, continued

Rental of Other Property Not Securing VA Loan

- Required Documentation
 - Evidence of cash reserves totaling at least 3 months mortgage payments (PITI)
 - Individual tax returns with applicable schedules for previous 2 years, showing rental income generated
- Analysis:
 - If income is stable and reliable, it may be used as effective
 - Depreciation claimed as a deduction on tax returns may be included in effective income

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Rental Income, continued

NOTE: Certain calculators add back in more than what the VA allows. Review your income calculator before use for accuracy and compliance.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:			626 Lalani Circle		
CITY,STATE					
STILL A RENTAL? SUBJECT PROPERTY?				X YES	NO
				YES	
LINE #:				2013	2012
Rents Rec'd	4	4	+		+ \$6,450.0
Insurance	9	9	+		+ \$2,055.0
Mortgage Int	12	12	+		+ \$22,912.0
Taxes	16	16	+		+ \$1,248.0
Depreciation		18		\$1,120.00	\$1,120.00
HOA Dues	19	19			
Sub-Total			=	\$34,934.00	= \$33,785.0
Less Sub-			١.		
Total of Exp	20	20	٠,	\$35,661.00	= \$35,861.0
NET SUB-TOTAL:			=.	-\$727.00	= -\$2,076.0
TOTAL 2011/2012				-\$2.	803.00
Divided by # of months			1		24
Net monthly rent			=	-\$1	16.79
Principal & Interest - curren			- 1		28.00
Insurance - current			-	\$166.67	
Taxes - current			- '	\$75.15	
HOA dues - current			- '		
Other					
Total PITIA				\$1,	169.82
NET RENTAL INCOME			\$	-\$1,286.61	
% of Ownership			_	100%	
TOTAL NET INCOME			\$	-12	86.61



Self-Employment Income

- - Current YTD Profit & Loss Statement and balance sheet
 - Individual tax returns signed and dated plus all schedules for the past 2 years
 - If the business is a Corporation or Partnership
 - Copies of the signed federal business income tax returns for the previous two years plus all applicable schedules,
 - A list of all stockholders or partners showing interest each holds in the business.

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Self-Employment Income

- Stability: at least 2 years
 - Unless applicant has previous related employment or specialized training
 - Anything less than 1 year will require in-depth development for a conclusion of stable and reliable income Stability: at least 2 years
- Analysis:
 - Depreciation and depletion claimed as a deduction on the tax returns and financial statements may be included in effective income
 - Meals and entertainment is not considered a deduction

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Military Income

- · Required documentation
 - LES instead of VOE
 - If ETS is within 12 months:
 - · Re-enlistment or extension documer
 - · Valid employment offer
 - Statement from service member that they intend to reenlist or extend
 - Statement from commanding officer that member is eligible to reenlist







Military Income, continued

- Analysis
- Base Pay
 - This is considered stable and reliable
- Military Quarters Allowance
 - Non-taxable and can be grossed up
- Subsistence and Clothing Allowances
 - Non-taxable and can be grossed up
- Other Allowances (propay, flight or hazard pay, overseas pay and combat pay)
 - This is taxable income and cannot be grossed up
 - It has to continue for at least 12 months to be considered in the income calculations
 - Propay and flight pay requires verification, this income is based on <u>periodic</u> review and/or testing to determine eligibility

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Testing your knowledge Borrower will move from Texas to Hawaii in August. Borrower already found a home and would like to purchase it now. Can his Hawaii housing allowance be used for qualifying? VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs 19 myVA Testing your knowledge

Borrower will move from Texas to Hawaii in August. Borrower already found a home and would like to purchase it now. Can his Hawaii housing allowance be used for qualifying? The borrower should be qualified using the lower BAH. This is to ensure that payments can be made while the borrower is receiving the smaller housing allowance.

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Relocation

- - Offer letter AND acceptance letter
 - · Should include start date and salary
- - Depending on when the borrower is moving, the lender should qualify them using the lower income amount. If the borrower has the carry the loan for a few moths before getting the new job, they should be able to afford the monthly payment.

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Foreign Income

- · Income must be verified
 - Income statements showing YTD
 - Local Tax Returns
 - Employer EOY income statement (W2)
- Borrower working in the United States for a company in foreign
 - Verify paystubs
 - Review contract with foreign company
 - Travel expenses to fly back to foreign country if paid by borrower
- Borrower receiving income from foreign annuity.
 - Verify annuity income statements







Contract Work

- · Documentation/Information Required:
 - Contract between employee and employer
 - Organization contract may be required to determine length of contract
 - The Veteran may be on contract with the Organization, however the Organization contract may be about to expire
 - 1099's or W-2's
 - Length of the contract (at least 12 months from the time of
 - Contract renewal if about to expire or documentation to support continued probability

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Part time/Second Job Income

- - Continued and verified for 2 years
 - Income must be regular and predictable, and
 - Likely to continue in the foreseeable future
 - Hours are compatible with primary job
 - Length applicant has been employed under such arrangement
- Analysis
 - If income cannot be included in effective income but is verified for at least 12 months, it can be used to offset debt.







Employment and Income Stability

- · Changing of Jobs
 - Stable and reliable income can be established without having a stable employment history in one position or job.
 - Income stability can be established for some borrowers who change jobs frequently and lines of work
 - Borrowers must demonstrate the ability to maintain an income at a constant level over the recent 2-year period

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Testing your knowledge

Veteran is a seasonal employee working on a fishing boat. When the fishing season is over, the Veteran applies for unemployment. The Veteran has a 5 year work history in this line of work and is receiving unemployment income. Can the Veteran's seasonal income be considered as effective income?

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Testing your knowledge

Veteran is a seasonal employee working on a fishing boat. When the fishing season is over, the Veteran applies for unemployment. The Veteran has a 5 year work history in this line of work and receiving unemployment un-employment income. Can the Veterans seasonal income be considered as effective income?

This income may be used to qualify because the Veteran has showed a history/pattern of receiving this type of income





Other Types of Income

The following can be considered as effective income:

- · Pension and retirement benefits
- Disability income
- Dividends from stock
- Interest from bonds, savings accounts, and
- Royalties









Other Types of Income continued.

- Foster care Income (for the care of any foster child(ren))
 - can only be used to balance the expense for the children against any increased residual income requirements
- Workers Compensation
 - This income may be used if verified to continue in the foreseeable future
- Unemployment Income (Lenders Handbook Current Issues)
 - It is not unusual for some individuals to work certain times of the year and draw unemployment (ex. Field workers, fishermen,
 - Should not be automatically considered unfavorable, provided it is regular and seasonal, or is a limited occurrence between jobs
 - If a history/pattern of unemployment income has been established, this income may be used in conjunction with







Other Types of Income continued

- Public assistance income
 - If probable to continue for at 3 years or more

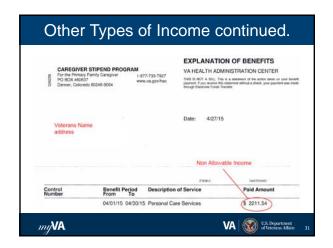
Non-allowable income:

- VA Educational income
 - This income is based on the participation of the Veteran and can be stopped if the veteran does not attend school
- · Caregivers stipends
 - This income is based on the needs of the Veteran. An evaluation is done quarterly to determine if the income will













Presenters

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Michael J. Andrews, Valuation Officer Atlanta Regional Loan Center

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SAR Training

- ➤ Circular 26-09-13, August 24,2009
- ➤ Applications and training by Central Office
- ➤ Consistent training across the nation

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Applications

Submit all SAR applications to:

Department of Veterans Affairs Admin and Loan Accounting Center (105/241A)

Attn: Agent Cashier 1615 Woodward Street Austin, Texas 78772-0001





Training

- ➤ Circular 26-13-14
- ➤ SAR Online Training Program
- SAR TPSS SAR Training and Performance Support System
- ➤ Five lessons, and 11 topics w/ practice exercises
- ➤ Must have six-digit SAR ID number

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Training

SAR Training Support:

SARSUPPORT.VBACO@va.gov

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- From March 1, 2006 February 29, 2016
 - -2,871,458 LAPP Notices of Value issued
 - 120,228 SAPP Notices of Value issued
 - Total of 2,991,686 Veterans served by the SARs and SAPs of your organizations on behalf of The VA Home Loan Guaranty Program





Who Answers Your ?	
General E-Mail Box	
Phone Calls	
Escalation if Needed	
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Expectations and Reactions	
What Can You Expect if Your SAR is	
Completing Substandard Work?	
Non-Substantive Finding Substantive Finding	
Repetitive Substandard Work	
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Shopping Your Question	
Why Would You Get Different Answers	
To the Same Question Depending on Where You Seek Your Answers?	
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New Technology Shift

What is the Impact? **Customer Service** Faster Responses Focus on Specific Issues







Presenters

Kevin Eason, Valuation Officer Denver Regional Loan Center

Robin Forss, Valuation Officer Cleveland Regional Loan Center

Ryan Nelson, Assistant Valuation Officer St. Paul Regional Loan Center

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Construction & Valuation Agenda

- Introduction
- ✓ Robin Forss, Ryan Nelson, and Kevin Eason
- Why Appraisal Management Service (AMS)?
 - ✓C&V Responsibilities and Vision
- ✓ Data Sources and Coverage * AMS - Big Picture

 - ✓ LoanSafe Appraisal Manager (LSAM)✓ Mortgage Analytics Reporting Suite (MARS)
- ❖ Current State of Affairs
- √ How VA stacks up against the Consortium
- Appraisal Review Workflow Process
- Case Study

 - ✓ Cursory Review ✓ Reconsideration of Value

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Why AMS? **C&V** Responsibilities and Vision

C&V's Responsibilities:

The Construction and Valuation (C&V) Section is responsible for the quality of appraisal reports on properties offered as security for VA guaranteed loans.

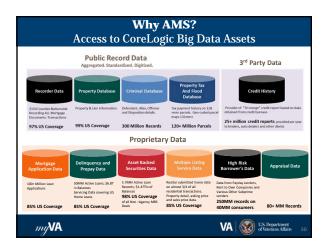
C&V's Vision:

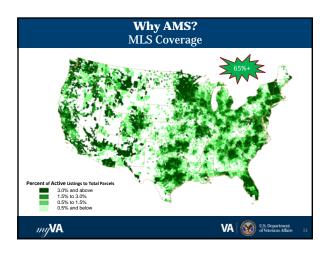
- ➤ Credibility and Quality
- ➤ Standardization
- ➤ Risk Management
- ➤ Performance

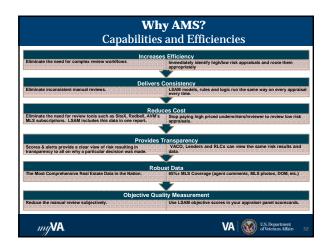


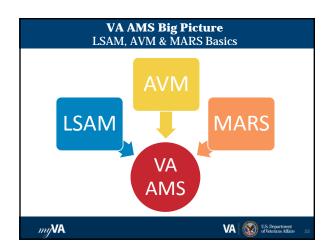


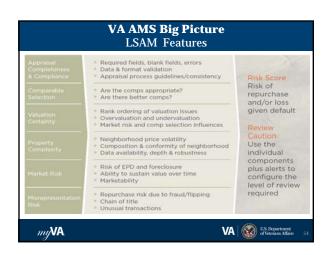
Why AMS? Partnering with a Market Leader ✓ Who is CoreLogic? ✓ The primary objective is to transition to a risk-based analysis of appraisals. ✓ With the Implementation of AMS, SARs and VA Staff will have automated risk-based review workflow from one reliable source. CoreLogic WA WA STAPPHITTENDED CORELOGIC

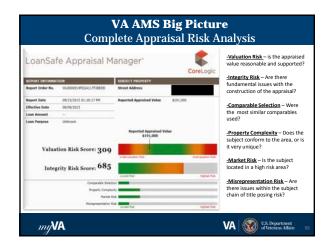




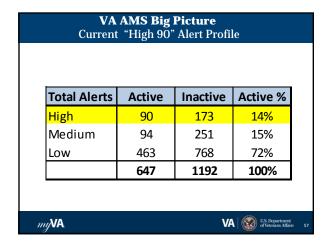


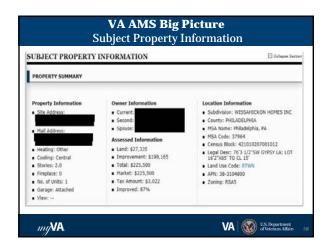


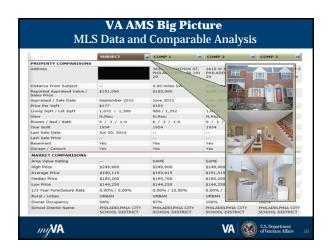


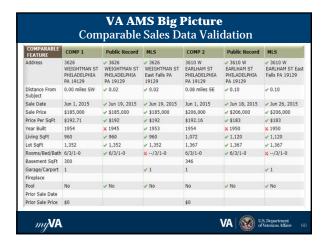


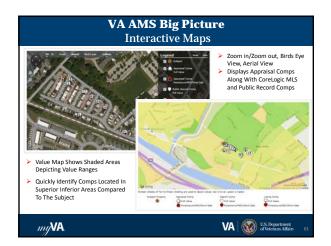


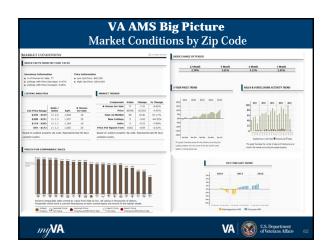




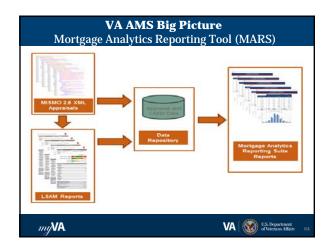


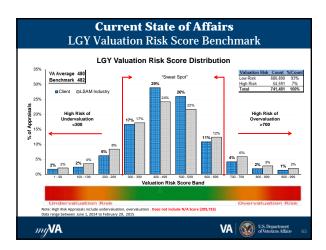


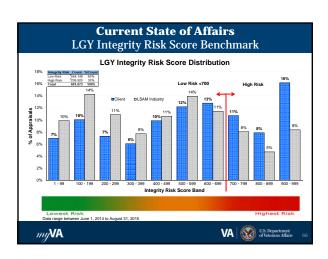


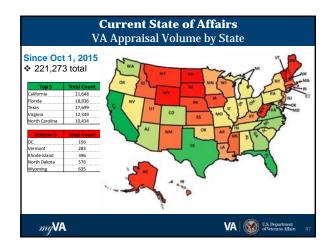


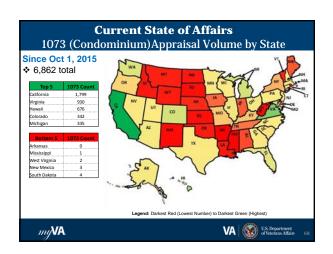
VA AMS Big Picture Automated Valuation Model (AVM) What is an AVM? An AVM is a computer-driven mathematical formula that uses basic property characteristics, local market information, and price trends to arrive at an estimated value or value range. AVMs Versus Appraisals AVMs are not the same as appraisals. When completing an appraisal, an appraiser conducts a property and neighborhood inspection. From the site and comp inspections, the appraiser writes a report that typically includes inspection details and a more in-depth evaluation of the property, neighborhood, and surrounding market.

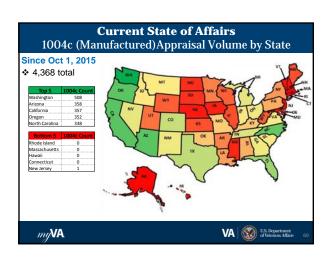


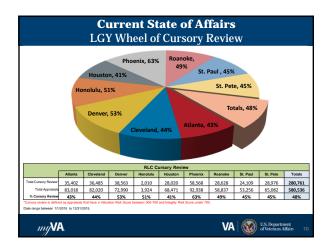


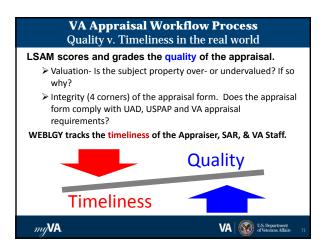


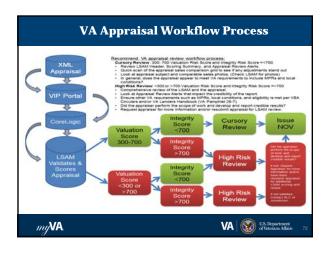












VA Appraisal Workflow Process

When performing a Cursory or High Risk Review, SARs should ask themselves the following questions on <u>all</u> VA appraisals:

- Were all high alerts addressed? Many identify and assist you with answering the questions below.
- Was the appraiser timely?
- Was contract price above market value?
- Was the appraisal package submitted complete?
- If MPRs present, were they classified and addressed properly? If proposed/new construction is there a valid builder ID?
- If subject is a condominium, is there a valid condominium ID number?
- Is the subject is on leasehold land?
- 9. Was the NOV conditioned properly?
 10. Did the appraiser perform the scope of work and develop and report credible results?









Case Study: Cursory Review Cursory Review – Low Risk Appraisal Report Must meet "Low Risk" criteria ❖ Valuation risk score between 300 & 700 ❖ Integrity risk score 700 or lower Valuation Risk Score: 453 Integrity Risk Score: 645 VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs myVA

Case Study: Cursory Review

- * Framework for a Cursory Review
 - * Determine if "low risk" criteria is met
 - ❖ Do cursory review of LSAM, appraisal report and sales contract (if applicable)
 - Special attention should be taken to identify inconsistencies in sales comparison grid and photos
 Address all high alerts
 - Answer VA related questions associated with all appraisal reviews
 - ❖ If no problems identified, issue NOV
- Benefits of Cursory Review
 - Time Savings Cursory review: 15 Minutes
 - ❖ LSAM provides risk indicator
 - Identifying and pointing out areas of concern





Case Study: Cursory Review Trends After Full Implementation: Six Month Review Positives Areas to Improve Inconsistencies Keys to a complete review Communication Documentation Timeliness Explore and use the tools available

* Case Study: Reconsideration of Value * Case Study Details * LSAM Report Header Details * Valuation Risk Score 300-700 * Integrity Risk Score 700 and under * Comparable Selection (lowest risk) * Property Complexity (lowest risk) * Market Risk (medium risk) * Misrepresentation Risk (lowest risk)

