

Chapter 14. TRUST FUND LIMITED INMATE COMPUTER SYSTEM

14.1 GENERAL

The Trust Fund Limited Inmate Computer System (TRULINCS) provides inmates with a computer system that does not jeopardize the safety, security, orderly operation of the correctional facility, or the protection of the public or staff. Inmates participating in the program must accept rules identified in the TRULINCS Electronic Messaging Warning/Responsibility/Acknowledgment Statement prior to accessing the system. Inmates do not have access to the Internet.

14.2 AUTHORITY

The Bureau's authority to operate TRULINCS is found in 18 U.S.C. 4042, which authorizes the Bureau to provide for the safekeeping, care, and subsistence of Federal prisoners. Pursuant to that authority, the CEO prohibits or discontinues its operation, or individual inmate's participation, whenever it is determined to jeopardize the safety, security, or orderly operation of the correctional facility, or the protection of the public and staff.

Use of TRULINCS is a privilege; therefore, the Warden may limit or deny the privilege of a particular inmate (see Section 14.9 for restrictions). This authority may not be delegated below the Associate Warden level.

Individual inmates may be excluded from program participation or individual services as part of classification procedures (see Section 14.9). Information supporting the exclusion is forwarded to the Warden for final determination.

14.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. **TRULINCS Coordinator.** The Chief of the Trust Fund Branch is the designated TRULINCS Coordinator – the resource person for Bureau staff, other components of the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, and the general public.
- b. **Trust Fund Supervisor.** The Trust Fund Supervisor has responsibility for the overall operation of TRULINCS at the institution. The Trust Fund Supervisor administers, maintains, and monitors the system; provides training to inmates during Admission and Orientation; supervises inmate workers assigned to the TRULINCS detail; and responds to inmate inquiries regarding the system.

The Trust Fund Supervisor is also the designated System Supervisor and maintains internal controls, system integrity, user accounts, and all other aspects of TRULINCS security and operations.

- c. **Staff Use.** Staff members may not use TRULINCS for personal use.