



Revocation in MICS §4.4

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Current MICS

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Language is ambiguous

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MICS proposal from Marg

- The accreditation process must address how the IdM maintains persistence, uniqueness and traceability of each individual person.
- Certificates implicitly expire if the IdM can no longer provide persistence, uniqueness, and traceability to the individual.
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- *which may suggest that you must be able to address the persistence of all possible individuals that might request a cert for each and every individual. Also, the 'implicitly expire' now comes across as something that will magically happen.*

Updated proposal

- The CP/CPS must address how the IdM maintains persistence and traceability for entities that are eligible for a MICS certificate, and how name uniqueness is guaranteed.
- Certificates may be left to expire implicitly if the status of the entity in the IdM changes, if and only if traceability information to the individual is retained.
- Upon loss of traceability, the CA Manager must suspend or revoke the ability for that individual to get a MICS certificate and should revoke any already issued certificates unless they expire in less than 1 Ms.
- *But also this caused a lot of discussion in the TAGPMA*

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- *or*
- The IdM manager must suspend or revoke authentication **to the IdM** if ...
- *What were the issues with originally proposed clarification?*



New text?

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