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The Personnel Identity Verification (PIV) program will enable the Department of Veterans Affairs to meet Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD-12) requirements and standards. In August 2004, President George W. Bush issued HSPD-12 which mandated new standards for secure and reliable personal identification for all federal employees and contractors. These standards are based on sound criteria for verifying an employee's identity; strongly resistant to identify fraud, tampering, counterfeiting, and terrorist exploration; and includes rapid electronic authentication. This process model illustrates the process for obtaining a PIV card and encoding it with the proper access.

