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## **VA Purchase and Cash Out Refinance Credit Score Overlay**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: 01-01-2020**

Please be advised that First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation is implementing a minimum credit score overlay specific to VA Purchase and Cash Out Refinance high balance transactions.

With the implementation of the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019, FHFA conforming loan limits are no longer a factor when calculating the guaranty for a veteran with full entitlement and a loan amount above \$144,000.

The following requirement is effective for loans with a Note date on or after January 1, 2020:

- Loan Amount > \$1,000,000 requires a minimum 720 FICO

Loans that do not meet the above requirement are ineligible per the following timeline:

- Retail and Wholesale: Applications dated on or after 01-01-2020
- Correspondent – Delegated and Non-Delegated: New lock requests received on or after 01-01-2020