USA PATRIOT Act requires all financial institutions to implement reasonable procedures to verify the identity of any person or entity requesting to open an account. Information that must be verified includes: legal name, residential address, birth date and social security number. Acceptable forms of identification for a U.S. citizen are state issued drivers license or other government-issued photo id. For non-U.S. citizens, a passport or alien identification card may be used.

The act also requires financial institutions to cross-reference each member's name against a government list of known or suspected terrorists. The Board of Directors and Management Staff of PAHO/WHO FCU apologizes in advance for any inconvenience that may occur as we take these important steps to ensure the security of our country.