



Immigrant Legal Services Center

September 5, 2017

Dear Community,

We are deeply disappointed to share news that you may have already heard today: the President has stated he will end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program on March 5, 2018.

This is what it means:

- Effective September 5, 2017, US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is no longer accepting first-time DACA applications
- If you are a current DACA recipient, your Employment Authorization Document (EAD or “work permit”) is valid until the expiration date on your EAD card even if that is after March 5, 2018. Once your EAD card expires, you will no longer be able to renew your work authorization under the DACA program and continue to work lawfully.
- USCIS will continue to process pending DACA initial and DACA renewal applications filed before September 5, 2017 until March 5, 2018.
- USCIS will accept DACA renewal application for current beneficiaries whose DACA is set to expire between Sept. 5, 2017 and March 5, 2018 if the renewal application has been accepted by Oct. 5, 2017. Generally speaking this renewal will be for a period for 2 years.
- You can no longer apply for Advance Parole to travel outside the country. If you have a pending Advance Parole associated with DACA it will be closed and your fee refunded.
- If you are out of the country with DACA based Advance Parole we encourage you to work with an attorney and return to United States as soon as practicable.
- If your EAD is lost or stolen and needs to be replaced you can file for a replacement.
- Even if your DACA EAD remains valid, being a DACA recipient may not protect you if you encounter ICE. Please remember to exercise your right to remain silent and carry a Know Your Rights card.
- The Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC) created a helpful handout addressing work permits and employment, Social Security Numbers, state ID cards, travel on Advance Parole, Know Your Rights and more – we highly recommend you review this information.

Links:

National Immigration Law Center - Know Your Rights:

<https://www.nilc.org/get-involved/community-education-resources/know-your-rights/>

University of California President, Janet Napolitano Statement, September 5, 2017:

<https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/press-room/uc-president-napolitano-statement-decision-end-daca-program>

University of California - Information on Immigration:

<https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/immigration>

Department of Homeland Security - Memorandum on Rescission of DACA:

<https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/09/05/memorandum-rescission-daca>

Department of Homeland Security - Frequently Asked Questions: Rescission of DACA:

<https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/09/05/frequently-asked-questions-rescission-deferred-action-childhood-arrivals-daca>

The UC Immigrant Legal Services Center recognizes the significant impact this will have in our communities. We will continue to serve as a resource for you and your family – whether or not you have DACA. We encourage you to reach out to discuss your specific case questions with us. Please contact us at ucimm@law.ucdavis.edu or by phone at 530-752-7996. We also encourage you to contact the Coordinator of the Undocumented Student Center on your campus to discuss resources in addition to legal services that may be available to you.

In solidarity,

UC Immigrant Legal Services Center Team