

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA): What's Next? What You Need to Know About Existing DACA Requirements and DACA Advocacy

- 1. IF YOU HAD DACA ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, YOU STILL HAVE DACA. The Administration ended DACA on September 5th, however your DACA is valid until its expiration date. Both DACA and corresponding work permits (employment authorization documents) will remain valid until their designated expiration date. To determine when your DACA and work permit expire, check your I-795 Approval Notice and the bottom of your employment authorization document (EAD).
- 2. IF YOU HAVE DACA AND A WORK PERMIT THAT YOU WISH TO RENEW, AND IS SET TO EX-PIRE BY MARCH 5, 2018, YOU MUST SUBMIT FOR RENEWAL BY OCTOBER 5, 2017. If you already have DACA and a work permit that will expire between now and March 5, 2018, and you want to renew it, you must apply for a two-year renewal of your DACA by October 5, 2017. Click here for a link of organizations that can help you renew your application.
- 3. NO NEW DACA APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will not accept or process first-time applications for DACA after September 5, 2017.
- 4. **BEWARE OF NOTARIO FRAUD.** Make sure you keep yourself informed about what your requirements are in relation to renewal. Spread the word that no new applications are being accepted. Click here to report to the federal government any fraudulent actions or advertisements you may see in regards to DACA. Click here to find more information on reporting these crimes to state officials.
- 5. IF YOU HAVE DACA, YOU CAN NO LONGER TRAVEL ABROAD LEGALLY. Advance parole to travel abroad is no longer available. DHS will no longer grant DACA recipients permission to travel abroad through advance parole. Any pending applications for advance parole will not be processed, and DHS will refund any associated fees.
- 6. CONTINUTE TO ADVOCATE CONGRESS FOR PROTECTION OF DACA RECEPIENTS. Now is the time to let your lawmakers know that they must act to protect DACA youth. Click on this action alert to let Congress know you support the DREAM Act. Sign up for Justice for Immigrants updates to learn next steps on national advocacy and see our DACA and DREAMER youth resource page.
- 7. THE CATHOLIC CHURCH SUPPORTS YOU AND STANDS IN SOLIDARITY. The Catholic Church recognizes your contributions to your families, communities, and the Church. The Bishops support you and know you as children of God who deserve dignity and the chance to reach your God-given potential. We urge you to pray and take care of yourself and your family at this time.