

On September 5, 2017 Acting Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Elaine c. Duke, issued a memorandum rescinding DHS' June 15, 2012 memorandum "Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children" which established the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA)" announcing that DHS personnel will take the following actions to wind-down the DACA program:

- Adjudicate, on a case by case basis, properly filed DACA *initial request* applications and associated applications employment authorization filed on or before September 05, 2017.
- Reject DACA *initial request* applications and associated applications employment authorization filed after September 05, 2017.
- Adjudicate, on a cases by basis, DACA *renewal* applications and associated employment authorization applications if accepted by USCIS on or before September 05, 2017.
- Adjudicate DACA renewal applications of DACA recipients whose DACA status expires between September 05, 2017 – March 05, 2018, *if* properly filed with USCIS by October 05, 2017.
- Permit current DACA recipients to retain both the period of deferred action and their employment authorization documents (EADs) until they expire, unless otherwise terminated or revoked. DACA benefits are generally valid for two years from the date of issuance.
- Will not approve any new DACA-based Form I-131, Application for Advance Parole, although will generally honor the validity periods for previously approved advance parole applications.
- Will administratively close all pending DACA-based advance parole applications and will refund all associated fees.
- Will continue to exercise its discretionary authority to terminate or deny deferred action/DACA applications and or status at any time when immigration officials determine termination or denial appropriate.

https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/09/05/memorandum-rescission-daca#_ftnref5