

## Important Facts about DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)

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On September 5, 2017, Attorney General Sessions announced the end of the DACA program.<sup>1</sup> Facts you should know:

1. **Your current DACA is valid until it expires.** Your DACA status and work permits are valid until the expiration date on your documents. To find out when your DACA expires, look at your approval notice or your work permit.
2. **Immigration is not accepting new DACA applications.** Immigration stopped accepting new applications for DACA on September 5, 2017.
3. **Renew your DACA status now if it expires before March 5, 2018.**
  - If you have DACA status now and it expires before March 5, 2018, renew it now. The deadline for renewal applications is October 5, 2017.
  - If your DACA expired **before** September 5, 2017 and you did not renew, you cannot renew now.
  - If you cannot afford the renewal fee, see [unitedwedream.org/paying-daca/](http://unitedwedream.org/paying-daca/) and information about [DACA Lending Circles](http://www.lendingcircles.org/) [www.lendingcircles.org/](http://www.lendingcircles.org/).
4. **You can no longer apply for advance parole<sup>2</sup> documents to travel outside the US.**
  - DACA recipients cannot apply for advance parole documents to travel outside of the country.
  - If you already have an advance parole document, you can use it until it expires.
  - If you have a pending application for an advance parole travel document, the case will be closed and immigration will refund your fee.
5. **Pending requests for DACA will still be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.** If you already filed a new application for DACA or a renewal, immigration will still review the cases they received it by September 5, 2017.

For more information:

- <https://www.uscis.gov/daca2017>
- <https://weareheretostay.org/resources/daca-update-five-things-you-should-know/>
- <https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/>
- <http://www.aila.org/dreamers>
- <https://www.ilrc.org/daca>
- Contact Emily Leung at [eleung@mlri.org](mailto:eleung@mlri.org) and 617-357-0700 ext. 344

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<sup>1</sup> [Department of Homeland Security Rescission Of Deferred Action For Childhood Arrivals \(DACA\)](#)

<sup>2</sup> “Advance Parole” is permission from immigration to leave the country and be allowed back in.