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Summary

Adding a new definition for state funded assistance - Temporary Protected Status See below for edited text:

Definitions

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Purpose:

This section provides basic definitions of various citizen and immigrant statuses relevant for determining eligibility for federal and state programs.

WAC 388-424-0001 Citizenship and alien status - Definitions

• Clarifying Information

15. Lawfully present non-qualified aliens, who may be eligible for state funded assistance if they meet all other eligibility requirements:

- Abused aliens who are a relative of a U.S. citizen with an approved I-130 petition but do not meet the other requirements of battered immigrants, as described in WAC 388-424-0001.
- Abused aliens who have self-petitioned under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) but have not yet received the Notice of "Prima Facie" eligibility, as described in WAC 388-424-0001.
- **Applicants** for:
 - o Asylum,
 - Cancellation of Removal,
 - Suspension of Deportation,
 - T visa (victim of trafficking),
 - o U visa (victim of crime), or
 - Withholding of Deportation or Removal, or
 - o <u>Temporary Protected Status</u>
- Aliens *granted* the following immigration statuses:
 - Cancellation of Removal,
 - Continued Presence,
 - Deferred Action,
 - Deferred Enforced Departure,
 - o Family Unity,
 - Suspension of Deportation,
 - Stay of Deportation or Removal,
 - Order of Supervision
 - Temporary Protected Status (TPS),
 - o Voluntary Departure Granted definite or indefinite time
- "K", "S", "U" or "V" visa holders (to allow family to stay together while waiting for the processing of an immigration visa)

NOTE: "K" status holders (fiancé of a LPR or a U.S. citizen) are not sponsored aliens until *after* the marriage, when the spouse adjusts their immigration status to LPR.

Example: Ron is a U.S. citizen, and Olga is admitted with a "K" visa. After they are married, they petition the USCIS for Olga to adjust her status to LPR. Ron's income is deemed after Olga becomes an LPR.

- Lawful temporary residents under the amnesty program of the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA), including those admitted under Sections 210 ("special agricultural workers") and Sec. 245A of the INA.
- Citizens of the Marshall Islands, Micronesia or Palau, who have special rights under the Compacts of Free Association and can lawfully enter, reside, and work in the U.S.
- Individuals paroled into the U.S. for a period of less than one year.
- Individuals' eligible to petition as special immigrant juveniles. These are juveniles who have been declared a "dependent of the state" and are eligible for long-term foster care due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment.
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) are individuals granted deferred action status, but unlike other deferred action individuals, they are not eligible for Medicaid or CHIP. DACA individuals may be eligible for state-funded assistance, including ABD/HEN Referral, SFA, and FAP.

NOTE: DACA individuals with expired an Employment Authorization Document are undocumented.