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After the Supreme Court's June 18, 2020 DACA decision, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) issued changes to the DACA program's policies and procedures:

As of August 21, 2020: •New, first-time DACA applications will be rejected by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

·USCIS will accept initial applications filed by people who previously had DACA, and your validity period expired more than a year prior.

·DACA renewal applications will be accepted. Renewals will be limited to one year. Previous two-year DACA grants will remain valid.

·USCIS will reject DACA renewal applications submitted more than 150 days before the expiration of your current DACA validity period.

Applications for advance parole based on DACA will be granted only in exceptional circumstances, such as: international travel to support the national security interests of the United States, international travel in furtherance of U.S. federal law enforcement interests, international travel to obtain lifesustaining medical treatment not available in the United States, international travel necessary to support the immediate safety, well-being, or care of an immediate relative.

•Currently pending advance parole applications will be rejected and applicants will need to re-file under the August 21, 2020 rules.

·USCIS will continue to follow its DACA information sharing policy outlined in the DACA FAQs (see Q19): https://www.uscis.gov/archive/frequently-asked-questions

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