

FY 2022 Lottery Notification

The Connecticut Conrad State 30 / J-1 Visa Waiver Program has received more than 30 J-1 Visa waiver applications from physician applicants for FY 2022. Pursuant to § 19a-2a-26(f) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Department of Public Health will conduct a lottery to assign rank to all complete applications in order to determine which applications will be forwarded to the U.S. Department of State Waiver Review Division. The lottery will take place on **Monday, November 29, 2021 from 9:00 AM EST to 10:00AM EST** in the **THIRD FLOOR HEARING ROOM of 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06134-0308, and by video conference using Zoom**

Please click the links below for information regarding attending in person or via Zoom Video Conferencing and the lottery procedure.

Participation Instructions

If you choose to come to view the lottery in person, please **RSVP by Friday, November 26, 2021** at 5:00 PM EST by sending your full name to heather.trabal@ct.gov. Please use “RSVP” in the subject line.

Directions and Parking at 410 Capital Ave, Hartford, CT:

[Directions and Parking for Connecticut DPH 410 Capital Ave](#)

Zoom Video Conferencing:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/99789157215?pwd=N2l4bG1UeWtENE5FUHR3UzdSSC80QT09>

Meeting ID: 997 8915 7215

Passcode: w1fzKm

Lottery Procedure

On the day of the lottery, pieces of paper inscribed with de-identified IDs unique to each applicant will be placed in a transparent container. These pieces of paper will be uniform in size and shape and indistinguishable from each other and contain no externally visible identifying characteristics or marks.

A DPH staff person will reach into the container and extract a single piece of paper, read and show the ID to the public, and hand the selected piece of paper to another DPH staff person who will record the ID with a number signifying the order in which the corresponding applicant was drawn. This process will be repeated until all applicants are assigned an order with those selected first having priority to those selected after.

The 7-digit alphanumeric ID will be created by concatenating the first two (2) letters of the applicant's First Name, the last two (2) letters of the applicant's Last Name, and the last three (3) digits of the applicant's Department of State Case Number (DOS#) as the following example demonstrates:

FIRSTNAME | **LASTNAME** | DOS#: 1234**567** | Applicant ID: **FIME567**

FLEX Applicants

Physician applicants from § 19a-2a-26(b)(2) facilities ("Flex applicants") will have the letters FLEX at the end of their IDs to distinguish these applicants from the others. Depending on the results of the lottery, the final list of thirty (30) applicants to be recommended to the U.S.

Department of State Waiver Review Division might need to be adjusted in accordance with § 19a-2a-26(h) which states:

(h) In the event that the total number of applications deemed complete by the department is more than the maximum number permitted under federal law, no more than three applications which meet the requirements of subsection (b)(2) of this section may be recommended per health care facility in each federal fiscal year even though such application may not be one of the applications selected by the randomized selection system prescribed by the commissioner under subsection (f) of this section. In the event that the total number of applications deemed complete by the department is fewer than the maximum number permitted under federal law, any applicant who meets the requirements of

subsection (b)(2) of this section may apply for any remaining available J-1 VISA waivers up to the maximum number permitted under federal law for that federal fiscal year.