FY 2025 Lottery Notification

The State of Connecticut Conrad 30 / J-1 Visa Waiver Program has received more than 30 J-1 Visa Waiver applications from physician applicants for FY 2023. 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 completed applications to determine which applications will be forwarded to the U.S. Department of State Waiver Review Division. The lottery will take place on Thursday, November 21, 2024, from 11:00AM EST to 12:00PM EST in the HEARING ROOM on the THIRD FLOOR of 410 Capitol Ave, Hartford, CT 06134.

Participation Instructions

A J-1 Visa lottery applicant has the option to view the lottery in person or over the internet.

If the applicant wishes to view the lottery in person, please RSVP by Wednesday, November 20, 2024, by 5:00 PM EST by sending your full name to dph-pco@ct.gov. Please use "RSVP In Person" in the subject line. The entrance to 410 is through the back of the building; applicants must use the call box on the column to the left of the door to reach security. If an applicant's name is received by the deadline, their name will be forwarded to security and upon arrival, the applicant must provide their name and inform security they are here for the "J-1 Visa Lottery." Since visitors must be escorted through the building, we ask that applicants arrive no later than 9:50am to allow the lottery to proceed on time.

Directions and Parking at 410 Capital Ave, Hartford, CT: <u>Directions and Parking for</u> Connecticut DPH 410 Capital Ave

If the applicant wishes to view the lottery online, please use the link below to view via Zoom.

Topic: CT J-1 VISA Lottery

Date/Time: November 21, 2024, at 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88012159157?pwd=st8oNiRrRryZWFpWxojS58ivxpkvAv.1

Meeting ID: 880 1215 9157 Meeting pass code: 939419 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 6-digit alphanumeric ID will be created by concatenating the first two (2) letters of the applicant's First Name and the last four (4) digits of the applicant's Department of State Case Number (DOS#) as the following example demonstrates:

FIRSTNAME / DOS: 0123456 / Applicant ID: FI3456