



Report a Change for Immigration Status for Enrollers Quick Guide

Overview

The CalHEERS application contains 47 immigration statuses used to determine eligibility for Covered California or Medi-Cal. Most, but not all, of these statuses are valid for Covered California eligibility if consumers are electronically or manually verified.

This guide explains how to input immigration information into CalHEERS.

Lawful Presence

Covered California uses the concept of “lawful presence” as defined by specific immigration statutes in the Affordable Care Act to determine if consumers are eligible to enroll in a Covered California health plan.

Note: Federal policy changes will end financial assistance for many lawfully present immigrants starting in 2027.

- Covered California will use a new Exchange Eligible Non Citizen (ENC) starting with 2027 to determine who can get exchange financial assistance.
- Everyone else, even if lawfully present, will be ineligible or discontinued for financial assistance for 2027 coverage.
- “Lawfully present” no longer automatically means “eligible for financial help” in 2027. Only specific ENC statuses keep APTC/CSR.”

Eligible Non-Citizens (ENC)

Eligibility to financial assistance programs (APTC, CSR, CAPS and SLS) will be granted for individuals who have Lawful Presence and will be identified as Eligible Non-Citizens (ENC)

- Lawful permanent residents (green card holders)
- Cuban and Haitian entrants

Migrants from Compact of Free Association (COFA) countries (Micronesia, Marshall Islands, and Palau)

Scenarios below are provided with examples for documentation for each immigration section of the application.

Example Scenario – Permanent Resident Card



Their **Alien registration number/USCIS number** is on the front.

Their **Date of Birth** is on the front.

Their **Receipt or Card Number** is on the back of newer cards. It is the top row's last 3 letters and 10 digits.

Older cards may not have a receipt number or an expiration date. Enter all the information as it appears on the card.

You must enter the consumer's name and date of birth on the document in CalHEERS. If the card is any different from what is in CalHEERS, fill out the section to match the card.



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Immigration status

Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR/Green Card holder)

Please choose an additional immigration status, if one applies. *Optional*

Battered non-citizen, or parent or child of battered non-citizen

Filed for a U Visa

Taking steps to apply for a T Visa or for certification by the Office of Refugee Resettlement

None of the above

Immigration document type

Permanent Resident Card ("Green Card," I-551)

Has Princess lived in the U.S. since August 1996?

Yes No



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Enter Princess's Permanent Resident Card (Green Card, I-551) Alien registration number/ United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) number.

Enter Princess's Permanent Resident Card (Green Card, I-551) Green Card receipt or card number. ⓘ

Select first three letters from the dropdown and then enter the 10-digit number.

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Enter Princess's Permanent Resident Card ("Green Card," I-551) document expiration date.

Enter Princess's first name/given name on document

Enter Princess's middle name on document *Optional*

Enter Princess's last name/surname on document

Enter Princess's suffix on document.

Enter Princess's date of birth on document.

Example Scenario-Cuban/Haitian Entrant

Information needed to enter includes USCIS number, foreign passport number, Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (Sevis ID) and expiration date.



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Cuban/Haitian Entrant

Please choose an additional immigration status, if one applies. *Optional*

Battered non-citizen, or parent or child of battered non-citizen

Filed for a U Visa

Taking steps to apply for a T Visa or for certification by the Office of Refugee Resettlement

None of the above

Immigration document type

Document indicating Cuban/Haitian Entrant

Has Princess lived in the U.S. since August 1996?

Yes No

Enter Princess's Cuban/Haitian Entrant Alien registration number/ United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) number.

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Enter Princess's passport number.

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What is the Country of Issuance for this passport?

Cuba

Enter Princess's Cuban/Haitian Entrant Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) ID.

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Enter Princess's document expiration date.

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Example Scenario - Migrants from Compact of Free Association (COFA) countries (Micronesia, Marshall Islands, and Palau)

Information needed to enter includes USCIS number, receipt or card number, I-94 number, Visa number, foreign passport number, Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (Sevis ID) and expiration date. All or a combination of details can be entered.

Employment Authorization Example



I-94 example which includes Foreign Passport number and country of issuance.



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Get I-94 Number | **I-94 FAQ**

Admission (I-94) Number Retrieval

Admission (I-94) Record Number: 69000888062

Admit Until Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 10/10/2012

Details provided on Admission(I-94) form:

Family Name:	LI
First (Given) Name:	LYDIA
Birth Date (MMDD/YYYY):	01/01/1990
Passport Number:	P123123213
Passport Country of Issuance:	Mexico
Date of Entry (MMDD/YYYY):	04/11/2012
Class of Admission:	B1

Immigration status

Citizen of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, or Palau

Please choose an additional immigration status, if one applies. *Optional*

Battered non-citizen, or parent or child of battered non-citizen

Filed for a U Visa

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None of the above

Immigration document type

Document or status not listed

Has Princess lived in the U.S. since August 1996?

Yes No



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Enter Princess's Alien registration number/ United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) number.

Enter Princess's receipt or card number. ⓘ
Select first three letters from the dropdown and then enter the 10-digit number.

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Enter Princess's I-94 Number.

Enter Princess's Visa number.

Please make sure the entry is 8 characters long and contains letters and/or numbers.

Enter Princess's passport number

Enter Princess's Country of Issuance.

Enter Princess's SEVIS ID.

Enter Princess's document expiration date.



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Website Category to CalHEERS Immigration Status Crosswalk

[Proof of Immigration Status or Lawful Presence | Covered California™](#)

The following table is intended to be used to decide which CalHEERS Immigration Status to choose depending on what documentation the consumer has.

Website Category	CalHEERS Immigration Status (not in order)
1. Lawful permanent residents (LPR/green card holder)	Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR/Green Card holder)
2. Asylees	Asylee
3. Refugees	Refugee
4. Conditional entrant (CE) granted before 1980	Conditional Entrant granted before 1980
5. Individuals granted withholding of deportation or withholding of removal (under the immigration laws or under the Convention Against Torture [CAT]) <i>For pending applicants for withholding of deportation/ removal, go to #23 of this section.</i>	Granted withholding of deportation or removal
5. Individuals granted withholding of deportation or withholding of removal (under the immigration laws or under the Convention Against Torture [CAT]) <i>For pending applicants for withholding of deportation/ removal, go to #23 of this section.</i>	Granted a stay of deportation
5. Individuals granted withholding of deportation or withholding of removal (under the immigration laws or under the Convention Against Torture [CAT]) <i>For pending applicants for withholding of deportation/ removal, go to #23 of this section.</i>	Granted withholding of removal under the Convention against Torture - CAT
5. Individuals granted withholding of deportation or withholding of removal (under the immigration laws or under	Administrative order staying removal issued by the Department of Homeland Security



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<p>the Convention Against Torture [CAT]) <i>For pending applicants for withholding of deportation/ removal, go to #23 of this section</i></p> <p>... Administrative order staying removal issued by the Department of Homeland Security.</p>	
<p>6. Individuals paroled into the U.S.</p>	<p>Paroled into the United States for one year or more</p>
<p>6. Individuals paroled into the U.S.</p>	<p>Paroled into the United States for less than one year</p>
<p>7. Cuban or Haitian Entrants</p>	<p>Cuban/Haitian Entrant</p>
<p>8. Qualified Domestic Violence Survivor (the parent and/or child of a spouse or child who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the U.S. by a spouse, parent, or relative of the same household) who has been approved (or has a pending petition) under Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) for (1) status as a spouse or a child of a U.S. citizen, (2) status as a spouse or a child of a U.S. lawful permanent resident, (3) suspension of deportation, or (4) cancellation of removal.</p> <p>... Receipt or other proof of filing I-130 visa petition under immediate relative (IR) or second family preference (P-2) showing status as a spouse or child.</p>	<p>A non-citizen on whose behalf an immediate relative petition (I-130) has been approved and who is entitled to voluntary departure</p>
<p>Depending on what document they have, it could be either of the following.</p> <p>9. Victim of Trafficking and his/her Spouse, Child, Sibling or Parent (or</p>	<p>Pending application for a Victim of Trafficking visa (T visa), or spouse, child, sibling, or parent</p>



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<p>individuals with a pending application for a victim of trafficking visa).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p> <p>...T (victim of human trafficking non-immigrant visa category)</p>	
<p>Depending on what document they have, it could be either of the following.</p> <p>9. Victim of Trafficking and his/her Spouse, Child, Sibling or Parent (or individuals with a pending application for a victim of trafficking visa).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p> <p>...T (victim of human trafficking non-immigrant visa category)</p>	<p>Granted a Victim of Trafficking visa (T visa), or spouse, child, sibling, or parent</p>
<p>10. Member of a federally recognized Indian tribe or American Indian born in Canada.</p>	<p>See the Document or status Not Listed option</p>
<p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p> <p>... F-1, F-2, M1 and M2 (academic and student non-immigrant visa categories)</p>	<p>Granted student visa (e.g. F or M visa)</p>
<p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p>	<p>Granted work visa (e.g. H-1, J-1, O, R, P visa)</p>



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<p>... J-1 and J-2 (exchange visitors including professors, scholars and physicians non-immigrant visa categories).</p> <p>... H, L, O, P, Q (temporary worker non-immigrant visas categories)</p>	
<p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p> <p>...U (victim of criminal activity non-immigrant visa category)</p>	Granted U visa
<p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas:</p> <p>...All other valid non-immigrant Letter Visa categories</p> <p>...Valid non-immigrant visas begin with the letters A through V (however, most non-immigrant visas will be identified in the worker, visitor, and student visa types above).</p>	Granted Visitor Visa (e.g. B visa)
<p>11. Other Non-Immigrant Status (letter visas) including worker visas and student visas</p>	A non-citizen with an approved visa petition, who has a pending application for adjustment to LPR status
<p>12. Citizens of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, and Palau</p>	Citizen of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, or Palau
<p>13. Residents of American Samoa</p>	Resident of American Samoa
<p>14. Lawful Temporary Residents</p>	Lawful Temporary Resident (special agricultural workers, or certain immigrants admitted into the U.S. before 1982)



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<p>Depending on what document they have, it could be either of the following.</p> <p>15. Individuals with Temporary Protected Status (TPS). For pending applicants for TPS, go to #23 of this section.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766).</p> <p>...Receipt or notice showing filing or pending status of “Application for Temporary Protected Status” (I-821) and Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766) (annotated “C19”).</p>	<p>Granted Temporary Protected Status (TPS), or pending applicants for TPS (pending applicants must have Employment Authorization)</p>
<p>16. Individuals granted Deferred Enforced Departure (DED)</p>	<p>Granted Deferred Enforced Departure</p>
<p>17. Individuals granted Deferred Action Status</p>	<p>Granted Deferred Action (but not under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals - DACA)</p>
<p>18. Family Unity beneficiaries</p>	<p>Family Unity Beneficiary</p>
<p>19. Individuals with Order of Supervision with employment authorization</p>	<p>Granted Order of Supervision, with Employment Authorization</p>
<p>20. Registry applicants with employment authorization</p>	<p>Registry applicant, with Employment Authorization</p>
<p>21. Applicant for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status</p>	<p>Pending application for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status</p>
<p>22. Applicant for Adjustment to LPR Status</p>	<p>A non-citizen who has a pending application for adjustment to LPR Status, without Employment Authorization</p>



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<p>23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766).</p> <p>... Legalization under IRCA or the LIFE Act with employment authorization.</p>	<p>Pending application for legalization under Immigration Reform and Control Act - IRCA, with Employment Authorization</p>
<p>23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766).</p> <p>... Legalization under IRCA or the LIFE Act with employment authorization.</p>	<p>Pending application for legalization under the LIFE Act, with Employment Authorization</p>
<p>23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766).</p> <p>... Asylum or Withholding of Deportation/Removal, including applicants under the Convention against Torture (CAT) (only if granted employment authorization or are under the age of 14 and have had an application pending for at least 180 days).</p>	<p>Pending application for asylum with Employment Authorization or is under the age of 14 and has had a pending application for asylum for at least 180 days</p>
<p>23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766).</p> <p>... Asylum or Withholding of Deportation/Removal, including applicants under the Convention against Torture (CAT) (only if granted employment authorization or are under the age of 14 and have had an</p>	<p>Pending application for withholding of removal with Employment Authorization, or is under the age of 14 and has had a pending application for withholding of removal for at least 180 days</p>



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application pending for at least 180 days).	
23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766). ...Cancellation of Removal or Suspension of Deportation with employment authorization.	Pending application for suspension of deportation, or cancellation of removal or special rule cancellation of removal, with Employment Authorization
23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766)	Granted suspension of deportation whose departure USCIS does not contemplate enforcing
23. Applicants for any of the following statuses must also submit an Employment Authorization Document (Card) (I-766)	A non-citizen, without a visa petition, who has a pending application for adjustment to LPR Status, with Employment Authorization
24. Amerasian immigrant	Amerasian Immigrant
25. Pending application for Creation of Record of Lawful Admission for Permanent Residence, with Employment Authorization	Pending application for Creation of Record of Lawful Admission for Permanent Residence, with Employment Authorization
26. DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival) recipient	Granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals - (DACA)
N/A	Granted Order of Supervision, without Employment Authorization
N/A	An immigrant who entered and has continuously resided in the United States since before January 1, 1972, who would be eligible for an adjustment of status to lawful permanent resident (eligible as a Registry immigrant)
N/A	Granted voluntary departure and awaiting issuance of a visa



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<p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Choose this status when nothing else matches.• When in doubt, choose this option.• When choosing this option, it is especially important to enter their Alien registration number/USCIS number or I-94 Number with their name and date of birth to verify them.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Choose the CalHEERS Document Type that best matches their document.○ If none of the Document Types match well, choosing either Other document with an Alien Number/USCIS Number or Other document with an I94 Number is a way to make sure you have the right fields to enter that information.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ When choosing either of these options, enter the document information for whichever document type best matches what they have. Put it in the matching field.▪ Only enter either their Alien registration number/USCIS number or I-94 number (not both), their exact name, and date of birth as listed on the document. Do not enter any additional document numbers.	



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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not select CalHEERS Document Type as Document or status not listed with this since those 2 options together prevent VLP from being called.• If this option is selected the case may either:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Not call VLP if too little other information was entered, or○ Call VLP Step 3 requiring documentation to be submitted	