

Travel with DACA

DACA and Advanced Parole

DACA alone does not allow you to travel outside of the United States. You can, however, apply for “advance parole”. Basically, advance parole is permission to re-enter the United States after travel. Immigration will consider requests on a case-by-case basis, but only for those who need to travel for a very important reason. Some important reasons, according to Immigration, include:

- humanitarian purposes, such as travel to obtain medical treatment, attending funeral services for a family member, or visiting an ailing relative;
- educational purposes, such as semester-abroad programs and academic research, or;
- employment purposes such as overseas assignments, interviews, conferences, training, or meetings with clients overseas.

Please note: Travel for vacation is not a valid basis for advance parole.

You may not apply for advance parole unless, and until USCIS gives you DACA. In other words, you cannot apply for advance parole and DACA at the same time. Remember, all advance parole requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Do not make travel arrangements until you have been given advance parole.

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