Affidavit of Support Sponsor Information

Purpose

Use this Tip Sheet to learn how to get Form I-864/I-864EZ, Affidavit of Support Under Section 213A of the INA, and Form I-864A, Contract Between Sponsor and Household Member, information from SAVE. This Tip Sheet uses the terms "sponsor" and "sponsors" to refer to sponsors who execute a Form I-864 or Form I-864EZ, as well as household members who sign and submit Form I-864A, because sponsor deeming and agency reimbursements processes may apply to both.

This Tip Sheet also clarifies that you should not submit an additional verification request for sponsor information if sponsor deeming and agency reimbursement exceptions apply. Additional guidance regarding this scenario is provided in the Step 2 guidance below.

Background

If a benefit applicant is requesting one or more federal means-tested public benefits (Medicaid, CHIP, TANF, SNAP/Food Stamps, or Supplemental Security Income), your agency may need sponsor information to count ("deem") sponsor income and assets as part of determining benefit eligibility.[1] If your agency has provided a federal means-tested public benefit to a sponsored immigrant, then your agency may also need sponsor information to seek reimbursement from the sponsor for the unreimbursed costs of the benefit. You will also need to know the date that the sponsored immigrant was granted their immigrant status (known as the Grant Date).

Step 1: Create a Case

After you enter the benefit applicant's name, date of birth, and at least one unique immigration identifier (such as their A-Number or Form I-94 number), SAVE will display a list of public benefits for which your agency may use SAVE, and will prompt you to indicate for which benefits your agency is requesting immigration status information.

If you select one or more federal means-tested public benefits, SAVE will automatically return any Grant Date and sponsor information because that information is required when your agency determines eligibility for a federal means-tested public benefit. The lock icon indicates that SAVE will automatically return this information to your agency.

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[1] Means-tested public benefit is defined at 8 CFR 213a.1.

Please select all of the benefits that the applicant is requesting from your agency. You must select at least one.

✔ Food Stamps   Medicaid   TANF   Refugee Assistance

In addition to the applicant's immigration status, your agency has asked that we provide you with the following information (if available) in order to determine the applicant's eligibility.

🔒 Grant Date   🔒 Sponsor(s)

Step 2: Review Response

If you selected one or more federal means-tested public benefits and the benefit applicant is a Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) (including a Conditional LPR, also known as a Conditional Permanent Resident) who may be sponsored, then SAVE will provide the name, address, and Social Security Number of each sponsor and household member for the agency to use in performing sponsor deeming and agency reimbursement actions.

Sponsors/Household Members

Name	SSN
Jane Doe	125-84-7896

Address
123 Main Street
Washington D.C., DC 99999
USA - UNITED STATES

If there is no sponsor or household member, SAVE will provide a message saying "Not Applicable" in the Sponsors/Household Members field.

Sponsors/Household Members

Not Applicable

In some situations, the initial SAVE response may instruct you to institute additional verification if you need sponsor information.

Sponsors/Household Members

Please Institute Additional Verification if you need sponsor information

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Please note that you <u>do not</u> need sponsor information if sponsor deeming and agency reimbursement are not applicable. Reasons sponsor deeming may not apply include, but are not limited to, the following situations:

- Benefit applicant earned (or can be credited with) 40 qualifying quarters of coverage under Title II of the Social Security Act at the time of the means-tested public benefit application;
- Benefit applicant has not received any amount from a sponsor or household member and would be unable to obtain food and shelter without the public benefit (indigent as detailed in 8 U.S.C. § 1631(e));
- Benefit applicant is a child or pregnant woman who is lawfully residing in the United States and receiving medical assistance from a State under the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or Medicaid, if the state has elected the option in accordance with sections 1903(v)(4)(A) and 2107(e)(1)(N) of the Act (often referred to as the "CHIPRA 214 option," after the section of the CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2009, which added this option to titles XIX and XXI of the Act);
- Benefit applicant is applying for SNAP benefits and is a member of the sponsor's household or is under 18 years old per Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, P.L. 107-171; and
- Benefit applicant or their child meets the requirements of a battered spouse or child per 8 U.S.C. 1631(f).

If you determine that sponsor deeming and/or agency reimbursement applies and you still need sponsor information, institute additional verification by selecting "Still not sure? Institute Additional Verification," and then requesting sponsor information in the Special Comments field.

Special Comments

Request sponsor information

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Guidance for Web Services Users

Your agency may use SAVE through a Web Services (system-to-system) connection rather than the Internet browser access method reflected in the sample screens in this Tip Sheet. To implement the change described in this updated Tip Sheet, Web Services users should request sponsor information through additional verification only when the initial SAVE response states that the benefit applicant is an LPR with a Class of Admission (COA) listed in the chart below, does not include any sponsor information, and you need sponsor information for sponsor deeming or agency reimbursement purposes. Please note that your agency <u>does not</u> need sponsor information if sponsor deeming and agency reimbursement exceptions apply (please see Step 2 above for additional information about these exceptions).

COA Code	Code Description	COA Code	Code Description	COA Code	Code Description	COA Code	Code Description
A31	203(a)(3) MRD AM S/D OF USC	C23	203(a)(2) CHILD OF C22	C36	203(a)(3) MRD S/D OF USC	CF2	CHILD OF CF1
A32	203(a)(3) SPOUSE OF A31	C24	203(a)(2) CH ALIEN RES OVER 21	C37	203(a)(3) SPOUSE OF C36	CPR	CONDITIONAL RESIDENT
A33	203(a)(3) CHILD OF A31	C25	203(a)(2) CHILD OF C24	C38	203(a)(3) CHILD OF C36	CR1	SPOUSE OF USC, CONDITIONAL
A36	203(a)(3) MRD AM S/D OF USC	C26	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR	C41	COND-ENTR MARRIED STEP-CH USC	CR2	STEPCHILD OF USC, CONDITIONAL
A37	203(a)(3) SPOUSE OF A36	C27	203(a)(2) UNMAR STEP CH OF LPR	C42	COND-ENTR SP ALIEN CLAS C41/46	CR6	SPOUSE OF USC, CONDITIONAL
A38	203(a)(3) CHILD OF A36	C28	203(a)(2) CHILD OF C27	C46	COND-ENTR MARRIED STEP-CH USC	CR7	STEPCHILD OF USC, CONDITIONAL
C20	203(a)(2) CHILD OF C29	C29	203(a)(2) UNMRD CH/RES OVER 21	C47	COND-ENTR SP ALIEN CLASS C41/C	CX1	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR EXEMPT
C21	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR	C31	203(a)(3) MRD S/D OF USC	C48	COND-ENTR CH ALIEN CLAS C41/46	CX2	203(a)(2) CHILD OF LPR EXEMPT
C22	203(a)(2) STEP CHILD OF LPR	C33	203(a)(3) CHILD OF C31	CF1	ALIEN ADMITTED AS FIANCE(E)	CX3	203(a)(2) CHILD OF CX2

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CX6	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR EXEMPT	F25	203(a)(2)(B) CHILD OF F24	F42	203(a)(4) SPOUSE OF F41	IF2	CHILD OF IF1
CX7	203(a)(2) CHILD OF LPR EXEMPT	F26	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR	F43	203(a)(4) CHILD OF F41	IR0	PARENT OF USC
CX8	203(a)(2) CHILD OF CX7	F27	203(a)(2) CHILD OF LPR	F46	203(a)(4) BROTHER/ SISTER USC	IR1	SPOUSE OF USC
F11	203(a)(1) UNMRD S/D OF USC	F28	203(a)(2) CHILD OF F27	F47	203(a)(4) SPOUSE OF F46	IR2	CHILD OF USC
F12	203(a)(1) CHILD OF F11	F29	203(a)(2)(B) UNMRD S/D >21 LPR	F48	203(a)(4) CHILD OF F46	IR4	ORPHAN TO BE ADOPTED BY USC
F16	203(a)(1) UNMRD S/D OF USC	F31	203(a)(3) MRD S/D OF USC	FX1	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR EXMPT	IR5	PARENT OF USC
F17	203(a)(1) CHILD OF F16	F32	203(a)(3) SPOUSE OF F31	FX2	203(a)(2) CHILD OF LPR EXMPT	IR6	SPOUSE OF USC
F20	203(a)(2)(B) CHILD OF F29	F33	203(a)(3) CHILD OF F31	FX3	203(a)(2) CHILD OF FX2	IR7	CHILD OF USC
F21	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR	F36	203(a)(3) MRD S/D OF USC	FX6	203(a)(2) SPOUSE OF LPR EXMPT	IR8	ORPHAN ADOPTED ABROAD BY USC
F22	203(a)(2) CHILD OF F21	F37	203(a)(3) SPOUSE OF F36	FX7	203(a)(2) CHILD OF LPR EXMPT	IR9	ORPHAN TO BE ADOPTED BY USC
F23	203(a)(2) CHILD OF F22	F38	203(a)(3) CHILD OF F36	FX8	203(a)(2) CHILD OF FX7	LPR	LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENT
F24	203(a)(2)(B) UNMRD S/D >21 LPR	F41	203(a)(4) BROTHER/ SISTER USC	IF1	ALIEN ADMITTED AS FIANCE(E)	NA	CH B ABROAD OF PERM RES/NATION

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COA Code	Code Description
NA3	CH B ABROAD OF PERM RES/NATION
P11	1ST PREF UNMAR CHILD US CITZ
P12	1ST PREF CH OF ALIEN P11/P16
P16	UNMARRIED SON/DAUGH OF CITZ
P17	CHILD OF P11 OR P16 ALIEN
P21	2ND PREF SPOUSE OF ALIEN RES
P22	UNMARRIED CHILD OF ALIEN RES

COA Code	Code Description
P23	CHILD ALIEN P21,P22,P26 OR P27
P26	SPOUSE OF ALIEN RESIDENT
P27	UNMAR SON/DAUGH OF ALIEN RES
P28	CH OF P21,P22,P26,P27 ALIEN
P41	4TH PREF MAR CHILD OF US CITZ
P42	SPOUSE OF ALIEN CLASS P41 -P46

COA Code	Code Description
P43	CHILD OF ALIEN CLASS P41 - P46
P46	MARRIED SON/DAUGH OF CITZ
P47	SPS OF ALIEN CLASS P41 OR P46
P48	CH OF P41 OR P46 ALIEN
U	2ND PREF PARENT OF US CITIZEN
U-1	2ND PREF: PARENT OF USC