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To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff
From: *AOS* Anne O'Sullivan, Assistant Commissioner for Change Management
Re: EAEDC: Noncitizen - Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Page

Overview

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is a temporary immigration status provided under Section 244 of the Immigration and Nationalization Act (INA). It allows nationals of a designated country (or someone without nationality who last lived in that country) approved for TPS by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to remain in the U.S for a limited time period because conditions in that country are preventing them from returning there.

Individuals granted TPS are considered Permanently Residing Under Color of Law (PRUCOL), and accordingly, may be eligible for EAEDC if they meet all EAEDC nonfinancial and financial eligibility requirements.

Purpose

The purpose of this transmittal is to inform DTA staff about a new Online Guide Noncitizen page titled, Temporary Protected Status (TPS).

This new page:

- provides guidance on EAEDC eligibility for applicants/clients claiming the USCIS Temporary Protected Status and
 - instructs staff on how to enter the TPS immigration status on the INS Designation page.
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**New BEACON
Online Guide
Page**

The Temporary Protected Status (TPS) page has been added to the EAEDC section of the Online Guide.

Topic: EAEDC

Book: General Nonfinancial Requirements

Chapter: Noncitizen

New Page: Temporary Protected Status (TPS)

Questions

If you have any questions, please email the DTA Mailbox.
Systems questions should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.
