



U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS Completes CW-1 Cap Lottery for Fiscal Year 2019 and Returns All Unselected Petitions

On April 15, 2018, USCIS used a computer-generated random selection process to select enough petitions to meet the fiscal year (FY) 2019 cap of 4,999 for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-Only Transitional Worker (CW-1) program.

USCIS [announced](#) on April 11 that it had received CW-1 petitions for more than the number of visas available for FY 2019 and that it would conduct a lottery for petitions received between April 2 and April 13.

The agency has completed data entry for all FY 2019 CW-1 cap-subject petitions selected in the lottery and has returned all petitions that were not selected in the lottery.

If you submitted a CW-1 cap-subject petition between April 2 and April 13 and have not received a receipt notice or a returned petition by May 16, you may [contact USCIS](#) for assistance.

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