

DATE: March 16, 2020

SUBJECT: COVID-19 inquiries

Dear Exchange Visitor Program Sponsors:

We share your concerns for everyone's health, safety, and welfare. As you are well aware, events are happening quickly and the situation regarding COVID-19 is constantly evolving. We are receiving an increasing number of individual requests for additional information from sponsors and exchange visitors.

At this time, we do not have the capacity to answer all inquiries individually.

Please direct all general COVID-19 questions to JVisas@state.gov. We will compile the questions and try to start answering them as time allows.

We are continuing to formulate general program guidance that should assist you in answering questions from exchange visitors.

We also are working to upload guidance to the j1visa.state.gov website so that everyone will have one place to look for the most current information. We will inform you when that has taken place.

Thank you for your work, patience and understanding as we work through this together.

Sincerely,

Office of Private Sector Exchange