Questionnaire to Prepare for Immigrant Visa Interview

U.S. Embassy France

All immigrant visa applicants must be prepared to discuss how they will cover living expenses and avoid relying on public benefits in the United States as per U.S. immigration laws. Topics may include:

1. Housing Plans:

- Where will the beneficiary live in the United States? Provide a specific address if available.
- If the beneficiary has not secured housing, explain their plan to find a home.
- Who else will live with the beneficiary?

2. Employment Plans for Adult Applicants:

- What type of work does the beneficiary plan to do?
- What education, training, or work experience does the beneficiary have for this career?
- Does the beneficiary need additional training, licenses, or certifications to work in this field? If yes, who will support the beneficiary and any derivatives financially during this period?
- If applicable, has the beneficiary started looking for employment? Describe these job search efforts.
- What salary does the beneficiary expect to earn in their first year?

3. Health Insurance Plans for Each Family Member:

- Does the beneficiary currently have health insurance that will cover them and any dependents in the United States?
- Can the beneficiary and any derivatives be added to a family member's existing health insurance plan?

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- If a plan does not already cover the beneficiary and family, provide detailed information about potential health insurance plans, including the specific monthly premium.

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Preventing Public Benefits Reliance

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- Who else will live with the beneficiary?

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- What type of work does the beneficiary plan to do?
- What education, training, or work experience does the beneficiary have for this career?
- Does the beneficiary need additional training, licenses, or certifications to work in this field? If yes, who will support the beneficiary and any derivatives financially during this period?
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4. Assets and Liabilities

- What are the beneficiary's household's assets and resources (for example: investments or home equity)?
- What are the beneficiary's household's liabilities, both secured and unsecured (for example: mortgages, personal loans, alimony, or child support payments)?

Optional: You may submit a written statement prior to your interview addressing how you overcome public charge concerns. You may do this by email (LNDIVSubmissions@state.gov)

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Immigrant Visa Interview Questions

U.S. Embassy London

At the immigrant visa interview, the consular officer asked about the following topics:

1. Housing Plans:

- What will the beneficiary's living situation be once they move to the United States?
- How many people reside at the address?
- How many bedrooms does the house have?

2. Employment Plans:

- What are the beneficiary's employment plans once in the United States?

3. Health Insurance Plans:

- What are the beneficiary's plans for medical insurance coverage in the United States?

4. Assets:

- What assets does the beneficiary have?
- Can the beneficiary provide current payslips and proof of assets?

5. Public Benefits:

- Has the beneficiary ever received any benefits in the UK?

6. Civil and Educational Documents:

- Can the beneficiary provide their birth certificate?
- Can the beneficiary provide their master's degree?

We are seeking additional information regarding your IR2 immigrant visa petition for your child. Please answer the following questions and upload the completed questionnaire to the Consular Electronic Application Center (CEAC).

Please follow these steps on how to upload the completed document.

1. Log on to CEAC (with case and invoice number).
2. Click the option / heading that says "Documents".
3. Select the drop-down menu with the applicant's names. From there select "Applicant Name"
4. Click on "Add a Document." That option is located directly below the heading "Optional Documents for the Applicants"
5. Select the document type and upload the document of choice.
6. Click the option that says, **"SUBMIT DOCUMENTS"**. The option is highlighted in RED at the bottom of the page**.**

You may access the CEAC website by selecting this link:

https://ceac.state.gov/IV/Login.aspx

Each question should be **thoroughly answered** in as much detail as possible. Limited or missing information will result in a significant impediment to the processing of your case.

GENERAL

1. What is the beneficiary's current age?

2. What is the petitioner's current age?

3. In which city and state will the petitioner and beneficiary be living?

4. What are the beneficiary's plans to study or work in the United States?

5. If the beneficiary is school-aged, what is their status? (what grade are they in, when do they intend to graduate, will they enroll in post-secondary education, etc.)

HEALTH

6. Does the beneficiary have any past or current medical conditions which will require medical treatment in the United States?

7. If the beneficiary has current medical conditions, what is the plan to pay for treatment of those conditions?

8. Will the beneficiary be covered by the petitioner's health insurance plan? If not, will the beneficiary have health care coverage from another source?

FAMILY STATUS

9. How many dependent family members does the petitioner have? *Note: this includes ALL dependents such as minor children, spouse, parents, or extended family/friends you are financially supporting.*

10. Do any of the petitioner's dependents have medical conditions currently being treated, or which will need treatment?

11. Do any of the petitioner's dependents have disabilities or special needs requiring long-term care?

FINANCIAL STATUS

12. What is the petitioner's current job and annual salary after taxes?

13. Are there any other working adult members in the petitioner's household? If so, what are their current jobs and annual salaries?

14. Does the petitioner own their own home or any other real estate?

15. What assets does the petitioner hold (value of investments, savings accounts, shares, stocks, bonds, etc.)?

16. What debts or liabilities do the petitioner owe (mortgage, credit card debt, auto loan, etc.)?

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

17. Do either the petitioner or beneficiary currently receive public benefits at government expense (social welfare, food banks, WIC, SNAP, etc.)? If so, what kind of assistance and for how long have they been receiving it?

18. Have either the petitioner or beneficiary ever previously relied on public benefits at government expense (social welfare, food banks, WIC, SNAP, etc.)? If so, what kind of assistance and how long did they receive it for? If their circumstances have changed since then, how?

19. Have either the petitioner or beneficiary ever been institutionalized at government expense (long-terms stay in a mental health facility, nursing facility, etc.)?

JOINT SPONSOR: Answer the following ONLY if you are utilizing the income of a Joint Sponsor

20. If you have a joint sponsor, please describe your relationship with them. How long have they known the petitioner and the beneficiary? Do they live in the same state as the petitioner? Have they sponsored anyone else for an immigrant visa? Has the joint sponsor ever used public assistance?

Madrid Pre-Interview Questionnaire

At the interview, all applicants should be prepared to discuss how they will cover living expenses and avoid relying on public benefits in the United States per U.S. immigration laws. Prior to the interview, applicants may voluntarily submit a written statement addressing how they overcome public charge concerns. Upload the statement to https://ceac.state.gov/iv/login.aspx. Email us at ivmadrid@state.gov with subject: M11, (Case Number), (Surname). If not, please be ready to discuss in detail at the interview topics that may include:

Housing Plans

- Where will the beneficiary live in the United States? Provide a specific address if available.
- If the beneficiary has not secured housing, explain plans to find housing.
- Who else will live with beneficiary?

Employment Plans and/or Assets/Income for all Adult Applicants

- For working age beneficiary and adult derivatives:
  - What type of work do the beneficiary and derivatives plan to do?
  - What education, training, or experience do the beneficiary/derivatives have for this work?
  - Do they need additional training, license, or certification to work in this field? If yes, who will pay for this and support financially during the process?
  - If the beneficiary started looking for employment? Describe these job search efforts.
  - What salary does the beneficiary expect to earn in their first year?
- For retirement-aged beneficiary and derivatives:

- Do the beneficiary and adult derivatives have pensions in another country that they will receive while living in the United States? If so, list who, how much, how often, and how the payment will be received.
- Assets and Income of beneficiary: Documentary proof of property, liquid assets, and income.

Health Insurance Plans for Each Family Member

- Does the beneficiary or dependents have any known health conditions that will require ongoing treatments (ranging from common chronic conditions like diabetes to acute conditions like cancer):
- Does the beneficiary and all derivatives currently have health insurance that will cover them and all dependents in the United States?
- Can the beneficiary and derivatives be added to a family member's existing private health insurance plan?
- If a plan does not already cover the beneficiary and dependents, provide detailed information about what other options they may consider including state-sponsored plans.
- If the beneficiary does not have dependents who can be caregivers in old age, what are the plans for care?

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Cuestionario previo a la entrevista

Todos los solicitantes deberán estar preparados durante su entrevista para explicar cómo cubrirán sus gastos de manutención y cómo evitarán depender de las prestaciones públicas en Estados Unidos, de acuerdo a las leyes de inmigración estadounidenses. Antes de la entrevista, los solicitantes pueden presentar *voluntariamente* una declaración escrita en la que expliquen cómo no dependerán de las prestaciones públicas (public charge). Subir los documentos a https://ceac.state.gov/iv/login.aspx. Despues de subir los documentos, notifiquenos por email a ivmadrid@state.gov. Ponga en asunto: M11, (Numero de Su Caso,) (Su Apellido). Si no lo hace, deberá estar preparado para explicar con todo detalle durante su entrevista temas como los siguientes:

Planes de vivienda

- ¿Dónde vivirá el beneficiario en Estados Unidos? Proporcione una dirección concreta si la tiene disponible.
- Si el beneficiario aún no ha conseguido vivienda, explique los planes para encontrarla.
- ¿Quién más vivirá con el beneficiario?

Planes de empleo y/o bienes e ingresos de todos los solicitantes adultos

Para beneficiarios en edad laboral y sus derivados adultos:

- ¿Qué tipo de trabajo piensan desempeñar tanto el beneficiario como los derivados?
- ¿Qué formación, capacitación o experiencia tienen el beneficiario/derivados para este trabajo?
- ¿Necesitan capacitación, licencia o certificación adicional para trabajar en este campo? En caso afirmativo, ¿quién la pagará y los mantendrá económicamente durante ese proceso?
- ¿El beneficiario ha comenzado a buscar empleo? Describa esas gestiones de búsqueda de trabajo.

- ¿Qué salario espera ganar el beneficiario durante su primer año?

Para beneficiarios en edad de jubilación sus derivados:

- ¿Tienen el beneficiario y los derivados adultos pensiones en otro país que seguirán percibiendo mientras residan en Estados Unidos? En caso afirmativo, indique quién las recibe, cuánto, con qué frecuencia y cómo se realizará el pago.
- Bienes e ingresos del beneficiario: pruebas documentales de bienes inmuebles, activos líquidos e ingresos.

Planes de seguro médico para cada miembro de la familia

- ¿Tiene el beneficiario o alguno de sus dependientes alguna afección médica conocida que requiera tratamiento continuo (desde enfermedades crónicas, como la diabetes, hasta afecciones graves, como el cáncer)?
- ¿Cuentan actualmente el beneficiario y todos los derivados con un seguro médico que los cubra a ellos y a todos los dependientes en Estados Unidos?
- ¿Pueden el beneficiario y los derivados incorporarse al plan de seguro médico privado ya existente de un familiar?
- Si no existe un plan que ya cubra al beneficiario y a los dependientes, proporcione información detallada sobre otras opciones que puedan considerar, incluidos los planes patrocinados por el estado.
- Si el beneficiario no tiene dependientes que puedan actuar como cuidadores en la vejez, ¿cuáles son los planes de cuidado?

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From US Embassy Doha

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your continued cooperation throughout this process. As part of the preparation for your upcoming follow-up interview, we ask that you review and prepare answers to the questions listed below.

Please prepare answers to each question to help make your follow-up interview more efficient. If answering these questions requires supporting documentation — such as bank statements, proof of assets, retirement account information, sponsor financial records, your CV, relocation plans, medical records — please bring these documents with you to the interview.

1. Age

- What is the applicant's age?
- Is the applicant likely to secure a job in the United States that will allow him or her to support themselves and any dependents?
- Does the applicant's current age allow enough working years before retirement to:
    - Accumulate savings?
    - Become eligible for Social Security/Medicare benefits (40 quarters, or 10 years of work)?
    - Qualify for pension benefits?
    - Receive retirement benefits from their home country while living in the U.S.?
- If yes to any of the above, please specify:
    - The amount of benefits and eligibility requirements
    - How and when these benefits are collected or transferred to the applicant

2. Health

- Please list all health and medical conditions noted in the panel physician report (e.g., cardiovascular disease, respiratory disease, cancer, diabetes,

metabolic disease, neurological disease, mental health conditions, or other chronic conditions).

- Could the cost of treating these conditions in the U.S. cause the applicant to become a public charge?
- What is the plan to treat these conditions, and how will treatment be paid for?
- If the applicant will not have self-funded insurance or employer-provided insurance after admission:
    - What are the eligibility requirements for public health insurance in the applicant's state of residency?
    - Can the applicant meet those requirements?

3. Family Status

- How many dependent family members does the applicant have?
- Do any dependents have disabilities, chronic medical conditions, or other special needs?
- What is the plan for treating these conditions in the U.S., and how will treatment be paid for?
- If there are no dependents:
    - What is the likelihood the applicant can care for themselves as they age?
    - What is the plan to prevent long-term institutionalization or reliance on public benefits?

4. Assets, Resources, and Financial Status

- What are the applicant's assets, resources, and financial status (including property, employment, and salary, if applicable)?

- Does the applicant maintain any cash accounts? If so, how much is in those accounts?
- Are the applicant's assets liquid or illiquid?
- Are any assets co-owned, or can the applicant transfer/sell them independently?
- Does the applicant have any debt or financial liabilities?
- If the applicant is unable to work or does not plan to work, what assets/resources are available to them?
- Does the applicant have sufficient resources for an emergency? If so, what are they?
- Has the applicant provided legitimate, verifiable proof of assets?

5. Current or Past Receipt of Public Cash Assistance / Long-Term Institutionalization at Government Expense

- Has the applicant relied on public benefits in the past?
- Has the applicant relied on social welfare programs or private charity (including food banks)?
- If yes, how have the applicant's circumstances changed so that they will not need to rely on public benefits again?
- If you believe the applicant will likely not rely on public benefits after admission, please provide supporting evidence or facts.

6. Joint Sponsor Legitimacy and Credibility

- Are you confident the joint sponsor's history and financial profile are legitimate?
- Can the joint sponsor make their income and assets available to the applicant?
- Has the joint sponsor previously sponsored other immigrants (including any not previously disclosed)? If so, how many?

- Does the number or pattern of prior sponsorships raise any concerns about the sponsor's capacity to provide support?
- What is the joint sponsor's relationship to the applicant, and does this relationship support the likelihood that support will actually be provided if needed?

7. Sponsor's Use of Public Assistance

- Has the sponsor ever used public assistance?
- If yes, please describe the circumstances and the type(s) of assistance used.
- Have the sponsor's circumstances changed such that they now have the financial means to support the applicant?

Immigrant Visa Public Charge Questionnaire

U.S. Embassy Dakar, Senegal | Client response worksheet

Please type your answers directly into the fields below. Answer each question fully and accurately. If a question does not apply, enter "N/A." Your attorney will review the information before preparing any statement for the Embassy.

Applicant and Case Information

Principal applicant full name

{{APPLICANT_NAME}}

Case number

{{CASE_NUMBER}}

Immigrant visa category

{{VISA_CATEGORY}}

Other family members applying for immigrant visas (names and relationships)

{{FAMILY_MEMBERS}}

1. Housing Plans

1. Where will you live in the United States? Provide the complete street address, city, state, and ZIP code.

{{HOUSING_ADDRESS}}

2. If housing is not yet arranged, explain how and when you plan to find housing.

{{HOUSING_PLAN}}

3. Who else will live in the home? List each person and their relationship to you.

{{HOUSEHOLD}}

2. Employment Plans (Adult Applicants)

Each adult immigrant visa applicant should provide their own employment answers. If necessary, duplicate this section for additional adult applicants.

Adult applicant name

{{ADULT_NAME}}

4. What type of job or work do you plan to pursue in the United States?

{{WORK_PLAN}}

5. Describe your education, vocational training, qualifications, and prior work experience.

{{EDUCATION}}

6. Will you need additional training, a professional license, or certification before working in your intended field? Explain.

{{TRAINING}}

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7. If additional training or credentials are needed, who will support you financially until you can work? Explain the source of support.

{{TRAINING_SUPPORT}}

8. Have you begun looking for employment in the United States? Describe any applications, contacts, interviews, or other steps taken.

{{JOB_SEARCH}}

9. What is your estimated total employment income during your first year in the United States? State an amount in U.S. dollars and briefly explain the estimate.

{{INCOME}}

3. Health Insurance Plans (Each Family Member)

10. Do you currently have health insurance that will cover you and any dependents in the United States? Identify the insurer, covered persons, and when coverage begins.

{{CURRENT_INSURANCE}}

11. Can you or your dependents be added to an existing health insurance plan held by a family member? Identify the family member, the plan, and who can be added.

{{FAMILY_INSURANCE}}

12. If coverage is not yet in place, identify the health insurance plan(s) you are considering, who each plan would cover, the expected start date, and the specific monthly premium in U.S. dollars.

{{PROPOSED_INSURANCE}}

13. For each accompanying family member, summarize their individual health insurance arrangement (name, relationship, plan, and monthly premium).

{{EACH_FAMILY_INSURANCE}}

4. Financial Support and Additional Explanation

The following questions help your attorney prepare a clear statement about how you will cover living expenses; they are supplemental to the Embassy's listed topics.

14. Who will pay your living expenses when you first arrive (for example, housing, food, transportation, and insurance)? Describe the arrangement.

{{LIVING_SUPPORT}}

15. Is there anything else you want the Embassy to know about your plan to support yourself and avoid reliance on public benefits?

{{ADDITIONAL}}

Applicant Confirmation

I confirm that the information supplied in this questionnaire is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant name

{{CONFIRM_NAME}}

Date

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{{CONFIRM_DATE}}

For office use: Review the completed answers and any supporting documentation before submitting a voluntary written statement to the U.S. Embassy Dakar or uploading it to CEAC.

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