



# CIMH Policy & Advocacy Workgroup Update JUNE 2022

Our monthly infographics will be on pause until September.  
Action alerts will be shared via the CIMH listserv.



## Action Alert

### ILLINOIS

- Medicaid expansions for undocumented adults ages 42+ are expected to begin July 3

### FEDERAL

- NIJC is calling for [Congress to end Title 42](#). Join their efforts by contacting Congress [here](#).
- United We Dream DACA petition [here](#). See more on DACA below.

## Policies we are tracking

### → Title 42 & MPP

- No updates; see previous months for more information

### → Asylum

- Biden Administration makes plans for agreements with Canada & Spain to resettle migrants arriving to the U.S. to seek asylum. See [here](#).

### → Immigration Enforcement

- On June 13, TX Judge Tripton blocked Biden Administration's immigration priorities
  - Judge Tripton ruled that prioritizing those who pose a danger to U.S. security is "arbitrary and capricious"
  - Ruled in favor of keeping Trump-era priorities that focused on all undocumented immigrants
- On June 13, SCOTUS upheld the federal policy of detaining immigrants for months or years without bond hearing. See press release [here](#).

### → DACA

- On June 15, DACA turned 10 years old! [NILC Decade of DACA video](#)
- Oral arguments for Texas vs. U.S. DACA case scheduled to begin July 6 in Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals
- This case is separate from the previous DACA case that moved all the way to SCOTUS. Here is a recap on the history of this court case:
  - U.S. District courts → U.S. Courts of Appeals → SCOTUS
  - July 2021 U.S. District Court in Texas ruled DACA is unlawful, which halted USCIS from accepting new applications
  - Sept 2021 the Biden Administration appealed the decision and it moved to Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals
  - The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals has history of voting against pro-immigrant policies
- No updates on Jan 2022 public comment period on DACA

### → Refugee Resettlement

- On June 10, [UNHCR](#) released refugee resettlement brief; archived briefs can be found [here](#) as well
- Forced Migration Workgroup updates



## Research and Data Corner

- [ACLU report](#) on barriers to accessing legal counsel within immigration detention
- **Happy Pride Month!**
  - See our April 2022 infographic for information on transgender and LGBTQ+ immigrants
  - See the [Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice's LGBTQ+ Taskforce recommendations](#) to the Biden Administration in 2021
  - The Center on Halsted, recipient of the 2020 Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice Recognition award, has been providing services since 1973. See more about the center [here](#).

### Local Spotlight ✨

- NIJC offers free [DACA renewal clinics](#) every Thursday in June. Registration is required.
- [DACA renewal clinic and scholarship event](#) at UIC on June 18, 9am-12pm.
- [World Refugee Day Event](#) on June 18 from 9am-4pm at Pottawattomie Park

Let us know about any local research to spotlight in our September 2022 update.



Want more information?  
[Join our monthly workgroup meetings and see previous updates!](#)

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