

Ohio Revised Code Section 3702.83 J-1 visa waiver program.

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The department of health shall administer a program, to be known as the J-1 visa waiver program, for recruiting physicians who received graduate medical education or training in the United States but are not citizens of the United States to serve in areas of the state designated by the United States secretary of health and human services as health professional shortage areas under the "Public Health Service Act," 88 Stat. 682 (1944), 42 U.S.C. 254(e), as amended. Under the program, the department of health shall accept and review applications for placement of persons seeking to remain in the United States pursuant to the "Immigration and Nationality Act," 66 Stat. 163 (1952), 8 U.S.C. 1182(J)(1) and 1184(1), as amended, by obtaining a waiver of the federal requirement that they return to their home countries for a minimum of two years after completing the graduate medical education or training for which they were admitted to the United States. The department shall administer the program in accordance with the "Immigration and Nationality Act" and the regulations adopted under it.

For each application accepted for review under this section, the department shall charge a fee of three thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars. The fee is nonrefundable. All fees collected shall be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of general operations fund created in section 3701.83 of the Revised Code.