



*Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services  
Department of Transitional Assistance*

CHARLES D. BAKER  
Governor

MARYLOU SUDDERS  
Secretary

KARYN POLITO  
Lieutenant Governor

MARY SHEEHAN  
Acting Commissioner

**Online Guide Transmittal 2022-71  
August 18, 2022**

**To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff**  
**From: Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management**  
**Re: Cross Program: Special Humanitarian Parolee Coding in BEACON**

---

**Overview**

A new INS Designation of “Special Humanitarian Parolee” has been added to the INS Designation dropdown list. Staff must use this coding for Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolee and Non-SI Parolees or Humanitarian Parolees from Afghanistan.

Staff must continue to code Special Immigrant SQ/SI Parolees, Special Immigrant Lawful Permanent Residents (SI LPR), and Special Immigrant Conditional Permanent Residents (SI CPR) as “Refugee” in the INS Designation page and enter “Special Immigrant Afghan Refugee” in the Other Section Reference field.

Additionally, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has provided an update to Class of Admission (COA) codes used to determine eligibility for Afghan individuals that arrived in the United States as part of Operation Allies Welcome (OAW).

**Reminder: No Afghan refugee applications are to be screened out or denied prior to designated staff consulting with the Procedural Mailbox.**

---

**Purpose**

The purpose of this Online Guide Transmittal is to advise staff of:

- a new dropdown selection for Special Humanitarian Parolees on the INS Designation page; and
  - inform staff of updated COA codes for Afghan noncitizens who arrive in the United States as part of Operation Allies Welcome.
- 

**Revised Online  
Guide Pages**

**Topic:** SNAP  
**Book:** Eligibility Requirements  
**Chapter:** Noncitizen  
**Page:** Eligible Qualified Noncitizens

**Topic:** TAFDC  
**Book:** Program Nonfinancial Requirements  
**Chapter:** Noncitizen  
**Page:** Eligible Qualified Noncitizens

**Topic:** EAEDC  
**Book:** General Nonfinancial Requirements  
**Chapter:** Noncitizen  
**Page:** Eligible Noncitizens

---

**Questions**

If you have any policy or procedural questions, after conferring with the appropriate TAO personnel, please have your Systems Information Specialists or TAO management email them to DTA.Procedural Issues.

Systems issues should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.

---