

## Fiscal Year 2025 H-1B Registration Period Update

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On Feb. 28, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) launched a new online myUSCIS organizational account system that will allow multiple people within an organization, as well as their legal representatives, to collaborate on and prepare H-1B registrations, H-1B petitions, and any associated request for premium processing. A new organizational account is required to participate in the H-1B Electronic Registration Process.

The initial registration period for the FY2025 H-1B cap opened at noon Eastern on March 6, 2024, and will run through noon Eastern on March 22. During this period, prospective petitioners and their representatives must use a USCIS online account to register each beneficiary electronically for the selection process and pay the \$10 registration fee for each beneficiary.

Another update made to H-1B registrations is that the USCIS will now require registrants to provide valid passport information or valid travel document information for each beneficiary. The passport or travel document provided must be the one the beneficiary, if or when abroad, intends to use to enter the United States if issued an H-1B visa. Each beneficiary must only be registered under one passport or travel document.

The USCIS also had announced it will launch online filing of Form I-129 and associated form I-907 for non-cap H-1B petitions. Starting April 1, the USCIS will begin accepting online filing for H-1B cap petitions and associated forms I-907 for petitioners whose registrations have been selected.