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A. Confidentiality Protections

DHS may not generally disclose any information relating to applicants for T nonimmigrant status, as that information could be used against them by traffickers or others who would seek to harm them.^[1] They are also protected against traffickers attempting to provide adverse evidence against them in relation to their applications with USCIS. These protections include the following:

- DHS is prohibited from making an adverse determination of admissibility or deportability against an applicant for T nonimmigrant status based on information furnished solely by the perpetrator of the acts of trafficking in persons;^[2] and
- DHS is prohibited from disclosing any information relating to the beneficiary of a pending or approved application for T nonimmigrant status except in certain limited circumstances.^[3]

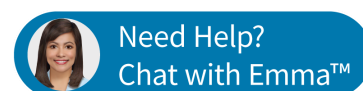
B. Disclosure of Information

Officers must comply with the confidentiality provisions when an applicant for T nonimmigrant status requests information about the applicant's case.^[4]

Footnotes

^[^ 1] See [8 U.S.C 1367](#).

^[^ 2] See [8 U.S.C. 1367\(a\)\(1\)\(F\)](#).



[^3] See [8 U.S.C. 1367\(a\)\(2\)](#). See Volume 1, General Policies and Procedures, Part A, Public Services, Chapter 7, Privacy and Confidentiality, Section E, VAWA, T, and U Cases [[1 USCIS-PM A.7\(E\)](#)]. See [Implementation of Section 1367 Information Provisions \(PDF\)](#), DHS Instruction 002-02-001, Revision 00.1, issued November 7, 2013.

[^4] See Volume 1, General Policies and Procedures, Part A, Public Services, Chapter 7, Privacy and Confidentiality [[1 USCIS-PM A.7](#)].

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