Evaluation process used by Nebraska to review J1 sponsorship requests:

Nebraska Program Guidelines are used for reviewing and approving submitted applications as many factors may be involved. Each application is reviewed on its own merits and priorities are used in the assessment. In addition to the rationale provided by the applicant sponsor, some factors that are given higher or lower priority are listed below. There is no specific weight assigned to these priorities, rather they are provided as general information regarding the assessment and sponsorship of an application and are therefore considered on a case-by-case basis.

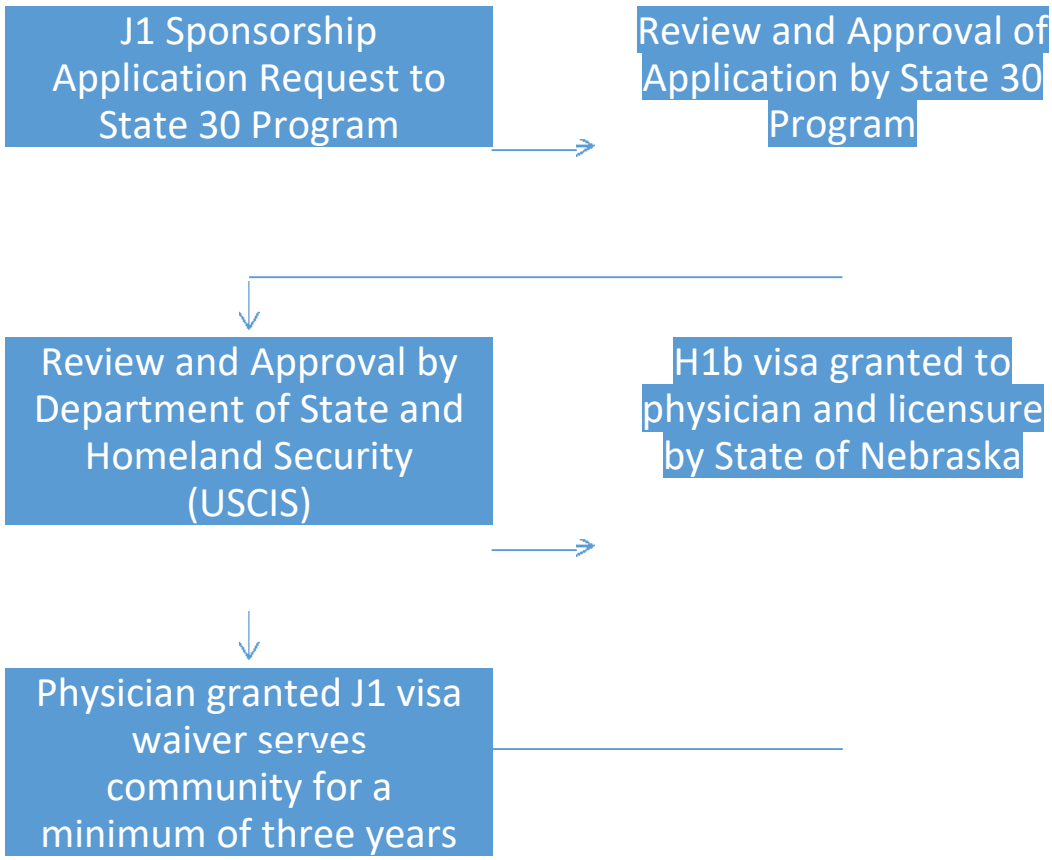
Factors	High Priority		Low Priority
Geographic	Rural/In State		Urban/Out of State
Consideration			
Provider	Primary Care/Psychiatry		Sub-specialty
Specialty			
Insurance	Sliding Fee/Medicare/Medicaid		Primarily Private Insurance
Access			
Organizational	Community Based/Non-profit		For-profit
Structure			

The state sponsorship process for J1 visa waivers is voluntary and the State of Nebraska has established some basic guidelines which are used to access, evaluate and sponsor submitted applications. Nebraska has used general guidelines for the program as they are more amenable to changes in the federal legislative process.

The administration and efficiency of the program is affected by the cooperation and collaboration of those participating in the process. There are many factors that impact the overall process of applications which aid in the review of an application. The Nebraska State 30 Program provides this guidance to ensure a timely and efficient process for those considering sponsorship of J1 visa physicians.

General Description of the J1 Visa Waiver Application Process Steps *

* Generally, the State of Nebraska reviews and submits applications received within two weeks of receiving them. The application and letter of support are sent to the Department of State and generally takes 30 – 120 days for approval by both the Department of State and Homeland Security.



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