

Policy and Strategy

Carlos Iturregui is Chief of the Office of Policy and Strategy (OP&S). OP&S employs a team of policy analysts, subject matter experts and support personnel to make recommendations on national immigration policy. Officially established in 2003, OP&S also conducts research and evaluation to provide strategic direction and analysis on important immigration issues and topics. With a long standing tradition of providing sound policy recommendations to support USCIS and Department of Homeland Security leadership, OP&S is committed to fulfilling its congressionally mandated mission. OP&S routinely consults with relevant and interested internal and external stakeholders that include immigration lawyers, community-based organizations and other federal, state and local governmental agencies.



The Office of Policy and Strategy includes three general categories:

- o policy and program regulation development and management
- o research, evaluation and analysis of existing and prospective immigration issues and programs
- o strategy development and planning to support business direction and resource investment

During the past year, Office of Policy and Strategy was restructured along the lines of these core mission areas for a more defined focus and efficient operation. The policy team was reorganized into seven divisions, each covering a defined policy or mission area.

Team members have begun to work under this new structure and are effectively focusing on specific issue categories. Through consultation and coordination with both domestic and international stakeholders, the Office of Policy and Strategy (OP&S) has brought forward relevant and important issues for action and clarification. Imbued with this sensitivity to both operational concerns and larger picture issues, team members are continuing to hone their technical knowledge and expertise regarding the fluid national debate on immigration and border issues. The change has generated proactive dynamics translating into timely and sophisticated OP&S products for USCIS' customers throughout the agency and improvements to USCIS policies and strategies.

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Organizational Chart



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