Know your rights with ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement)!

- You have the right to remain silent, unless you are asked for your name, date of birth, and address!
- If arrested, you always have the right to request a lawyer!
- ICE may not enter your home or search your home without a warrant signed by judge!!

Who is ICE?
- ICE is one of the federal government agencies responsible for deporting people. ICE is part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

What Do ICE agents do?
- ICE agents usually identify the person they want to arrest. Be careful! Sometime agents will pretend to be police.

Who is at risk of being arresting by ICE?
- Anyone without a lawful status.
- People with status (e.g., lawful permanent residents, refugees, and visa holders) that have certain criminal records.

People with legal status & prior convictions, be aware: you may be a target even if:
- Your conviction happened years ago;
- You didn’t serve time in jail;
- Your case is minor or a misdemeanor;
- You’ve been a legal resident for a long time; and/or
- All other members of your family are U.S. citizens.

What can you do if you know you are at risk?
- If you have an alien registration number (“A-Number”), share it with your loved ones. If ICE detains you, your loved ones can search (www.locator.ice.gov) to determine where you are being detained.
- Make a plan with your loved ones in case you are picked up by ICE.
- Avoid contact with the Criminal Justice System (the police can share your fingerprints with Immigration).
- Do not travel outside the United States without talking to a lawyer first.
- Speak with an immigration lawyer to determine your immigration situation.

What should an Emergency Plan include?
- Your A-Number along with the following web address: www.locator.ice.gov
- Where to find important documents (passport, birth certificate, immigration documents, marriage license).
- Copies of these documents for a family member or friend to keep in case of an emergency.
- Instructions for loved ones to know how to find you if you are detained by ICE.
  - Anyone can call the Executive Officer for Immigration Review hotline number at 240-314-1500 or 1-800-898-7180 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to get information on a case’s status so long as they have the A-number.

- Family Plan:
  - Prepare a “Power of Attorney” form to ensure the proper care of your children in case you are detained.
  - If your child is a US citizen, obtain a passport for him/her as soon as possible.
  - If your child is not a US citizen, obtain a passport for him/her from their birth country; you can get this from the country’s consulate.
  - Register your child as a citizen of your home country at the country’s consulate.
  - Include in your plan how:
    - To pick up your kids from school and pay for any schooling;
    - To obtain medical care;
    - To fulfill financial obligations (e.g., mortgage payments, car notes/insurance);
    - To receive food stamps/Medicaid for US citizen children.
  - Include long-term arrangements plans for your children.
When ICE agents approach you, remember:
- You cannot lie to ICE agents or show false documents. BUT, ICE agents can lie to you.
- You can always choose to remain silent (except when asked to provide name, date of birth, and address) and, if arrested, request to speak to a lawyer.

If ICE agents approach you on the streets or in public:
- If ICE arrests someone in public, it typically happens quickly.
- Before you tell them anything, ask them “Am I free to go?”
  - If they say yes: Say, “I don’t want to answer your questions right now.” Then walk away.
  - If they say no: Use your right to remain silent. Say, “I want to use my right to remain silent and I want to speak to my lawyer.”
- If ICE starts to search inside your pockets, say, “I do not consent to a search.”
- Do not flee or resist arrest.
- If you are in criminal court for a court date, ask to speak to your defender before they take you away.

If ICE is at your door:
- Do NOT let them in your home unless they show you a warrant signed by a judge.
- You have the right to remain silent. Say, “I do not want to talk to you right now.”
- If they ask for someone else, you can ask them to leave contact information. You don’t have to tell them where to find the person.
- If they come inside without your permission, say “I do not consent to you being in my home. Please leave.”
- If they start to search your home, tell them “I do not consent to your search.”

Your rights when you are being arrested:
- You have the right to remain silent.
- You have the right to speak to a lawyer.
- You do not have to share any information about where you were born, your immigration status, or your criminal record.
- You do not have to give ICE your consular documents or passport unless they have a warrant signed by a judge.
- You do not have to sign anything.
- You are entitled to tell them, if appropriate, that you have medical needs or need to make childcare plans.

How to Post a Departure or Delivery Bond if my loved one is in detention:
- The person supplying the bond money is called the obligor.
  - The obligor:
    - must show proof of identity (for example, a driver’s license).
    - is responsible for making sure that the alien presents himself or herself before an officer or agent of this agency whenever a request is made.
- For bond information, call 614-469-2900 and ask to speak to the Deportation Officer handling the case.
  - Have the last name of detainee and alien registration number ready.
- Bonds for aliens detained by ICE may be posted at ERO Bond Acceptance facilities nationwide:
  - Monday through Friday (except holidays) between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., local time.
- Acceptable bond forms of payments less than $10,000:
  - money order; certified check; or cashier’s check.
- All bonds over $10,000 must be made by cashier’s or certified checks.
- Checks must be made payable to: “U.S. Department of Homeland Security” or “Immigration and Customs Enforcement.”