

Recent Immigrants

Check on:

- Is the targeted subgroup mainly composed of recent immigrants, first-generation immigrants, second-generation immigrants, or a mixture of each?
- If the subgroup is composed of immigrants, why did they leave their native country? Did they leave voluntarily or involuntarily? Voluntary immigrants may be able to adapt more readily. Involuntary may have had more exposure to war, torture, and missing family members.
- If recent immigrants, what is the likelihood that they are in this country illegally? If involuntary or illegal immigrants they may be concerned that personal information (for example, income or immigration information) will place family at risk or they may be suspicious of any program that appears connected to the government. You may need to assure the person that personal information will not be provided to other government agencies.