1. **New F-1 coming from abroad**
   - **I-20** - COH issues a new I-20 (3 weeks)
   - **Visa Interview** - Student schedules a visa interview appointment with a US embassy abroad
   - **Administrative Processing** - Applicant may be subject to additional clearances processing (+1-3 months)
   - **Visa Issuance and Travel** - Student receives a visa stamp and travels to the US

2. **Transfer within US**
   - **Transfer-Out Request** - Student identifies the effective F-1 transfer date and requests a transfer-out from current school
   - **SEVIS Transfer Processing** - Current school initiates F-1 transfer in SEVIS
   - **I-20** - After effective transfer date, COH accesses F-1 record in SEVIS to issue a new I-20

3. **Change of Status within US**
   - **I-20** - COH issues a new I-20 (3 weeks)
   - **Change of Status Application** - Student applies for a change of status with USCIS
   - **USCIS Decision** - USCIS reviews and makes a decision

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**COH On-Boarding and Clearances**

**COH Start Date**