Career Transition Assistance Plan (CTAP)  
And  
Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP)  
Selection Priority

Under the Career Transition Assistance Plan (CTAP), Federal agencies provide special selection priority for their own agency surplus or displaced employees. Under the Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP), Federal agencies provide special selection priority for displaced Federal employees from other agencies.

To receive CTAP or ICTAP special selection priority, you must apply to a position:

- in the local commuting area
- that is at or below the grade level from which you're being separated, and
- that does not have greater promotion potential than the position from which you're being separated.
- You must be determined to be well-qualified for the job; and
- You must submit proof of eligibility by the closing date of the announcement.

What to submit:

For proof of CTAP eligibility, you must provide a copy of a document from each of the following three categories:

1. One of the following:
   - Your Reduction in Force (RIF) separation notice;
   - Your Reduction in Force (RIF) notice offering a lower graded position accompanied by a declination of the offer (the RIF notice must state that declination will result in separation under RIF);
   - Notice of proposed removal for declining a directed geographic relocation outside the local commuting area (for example, a directed reassignment or change in duty station);
   - Certificate of expected separation; or
   - Other official agency certification or notification indicating that your position is surplus (for example, a notice of position abolishment or a notice of eligibility for discontinued service retirement).

2. Your Notification of Personnel Action(s), SF-50(s), or other official documentation that shows:
   a. You are a current:
      i. career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, at grade GS-15 or equivalent and below; or
      ii. excepted service employee serving without time limit at grade GS-15 or equivalent and below who has been conferred noncompetitive appointment eligibility and selection priority by law for competitive service positions; and
   b. The position you may be or are being separated from:
      i. Is equal to or higher than the grade of the job announced; and
      ii. Has the same or higher promotion potential as the job announced; and
      iii. Is in the same local commuting area as the job announced.
3. Your most recent performance rating of record (which must be rated at least fully successful or equivalent).

For proof of ICTAP eligibility, you must provide a copy of a document from each of the following three categories:

1. One of the following:
   - Your Reduction in Force (RIF) separation notice;
   - Your Reduction in Force (RIF) notice offering a lower graded position accompanied by a declination of the offer (the RIF notice must state that declination will result in separation under RIF);
   - Notice of proposed removal for declining a directed geographical relocation outside the local commuting area, (e.g., a directed reassignment or a change in duty station);
   - Certification from your former employing agency documenting that it was unable to place you as required by part 353 of 5 CFR (Restoration to duty from compensable injury);
   - Notification from OPM that your disability annuity has been or will be terminated;
   - Certification that you are a former Military Reserve Technician or National Guard Technician receiving a special disability retirement annuity from the military department or National Guard Bureau

2. Your Notification of Personnel Action(s), SF-50(s), or other official documentation that shows:
   a. You are a current or former:
      i. career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, at grade GS-15 or equivalent and below; or
      ii. excepted service employee serving without time limit at grade GS-15 or equivalent and below who has been conferred noncompetitive appointment eligibility and selection priority by law for competitive service positions; and
   b. The position you may be or are being separated from:
      i. Is equal to or higher than the grade of the job announced; and
      ii. Has the same or higher promotion potential as the job announced; and
      iii. Is in the same local commuting area as the job announced.

3. Your most recent performance rating of record (which must be rated at least fully successful or equivalent). This is not required if you are eligible for ICTAP due to compensable injury or disability retirement.