

## PUBLIC CHARGE: DOES THIS APPLY TO ME?

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## Are you and your family members U.S. Citizens?

Public charge does NOT apply to you. You should continue to enroll in programs you are eligible for.

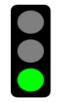




**Do you and your family members already have green cards?** Public charge and any changes under new rules rule WILL NOT impact you when you renew your green card or apply to become a U.S. Citizen. However, if you plan to leave the country for more than 6 months, it is a good idea to talk with an immigration attorney.



Are you applying for or have one of the following statuses? *TPS, U or T Visa, Asylum or Refugee status, or Special Immigrant Juvenile Status?* The public charge test does NOT apply to all immigrants, including the categories listed here. If you already have or are in the process of applying for one of these immigration statuses, you can continue to use any government programs that you qualify for.





Does your family plan to apply for a green card or visa from <u>inside</u> the United States? Right now, changes to public charge rules only apply to immigrants who have applications processed outside the United States. For those applying inside the United States, only the use of cash assistance and long term care programs will be considered in your public charge test. You should continue to use the health, housing and nutrition programs you are eligible for.



Does your family plan to apply for a green card or visa from <u>outside</u> the United States? If you or a family member will have a visa or green card application processed abroad, new rules may apply to you. You should talk with an expert for advice on your case before making any decisions. For free or low-cost options in your area, go to: <u>https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/nonprofit/legaldirectory/</u>



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