

Public Charge
Legal
Consultations
& Education



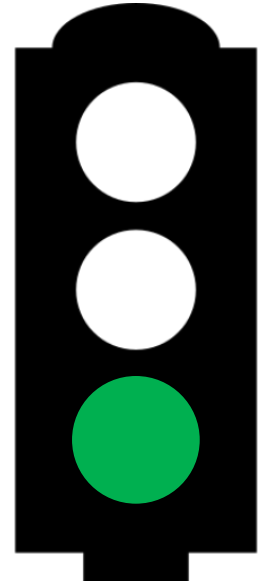
Public Charge Refresher



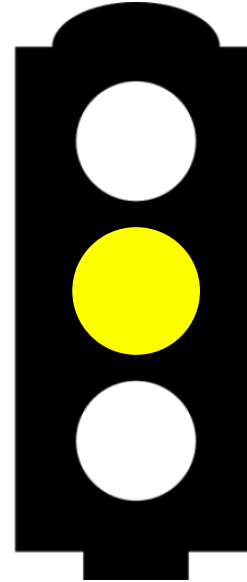
Public Charge does not apply to many categories of immigrants:

- Refugees and asylees
- Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)
- VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self-petitioners
- U non-immigrant status (U visa)
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- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals*
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)*
- Other humanitarian categories*
- The majority of Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR or “green card” holder)
- When applying for citizenship

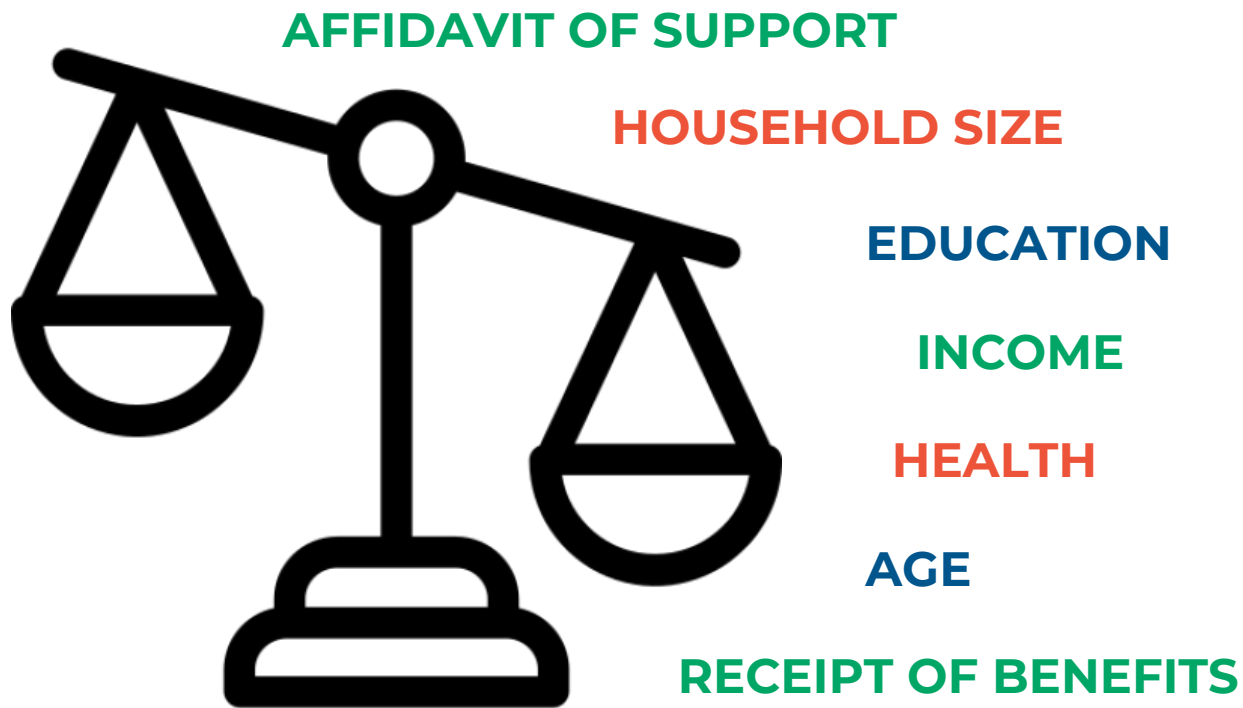
*Public charge does
apply if you adjust
through a family petition.



PRIMARILY AFFECTS FAMILY-BASED IMMIGRATION



TOTALITY OF CIRCUMSTANCES TEST



Benefits that were already part of analysis



Long-term
institutionalization



Cash Assistance
(i.e. SSI and CalWorks)

Newly-considered benefits



Medi-Cal
(with exceptions)



Food stamps
(CalFresh)



Housing Assistance
(i.e. Section 8 vouchers)



Benefits safe to use for all who are eligible without public charge consequences

MEDI-CAL



Children



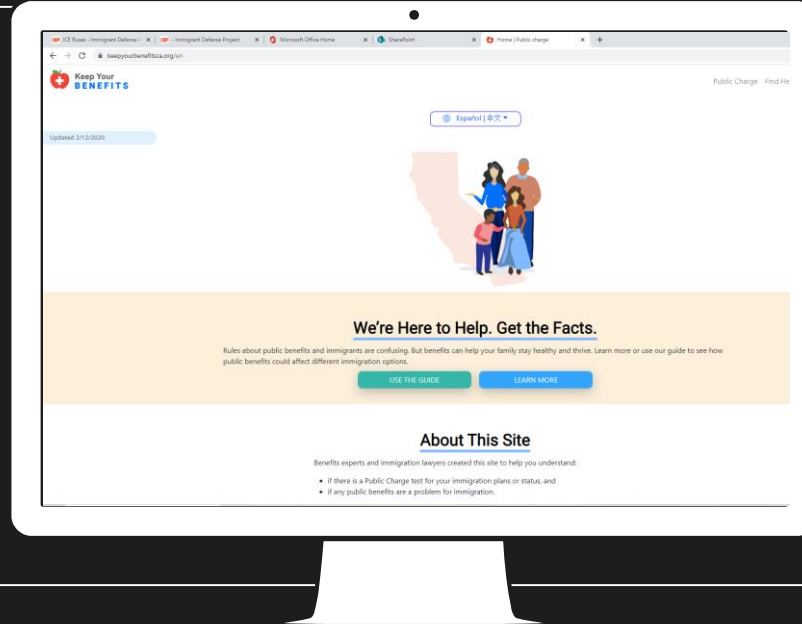
Emergency



Pregnant Women

KEEP YOUR BENEFITS

An online screening tool to help clients determine whether or not the changes to public charge could affect their immigration process.

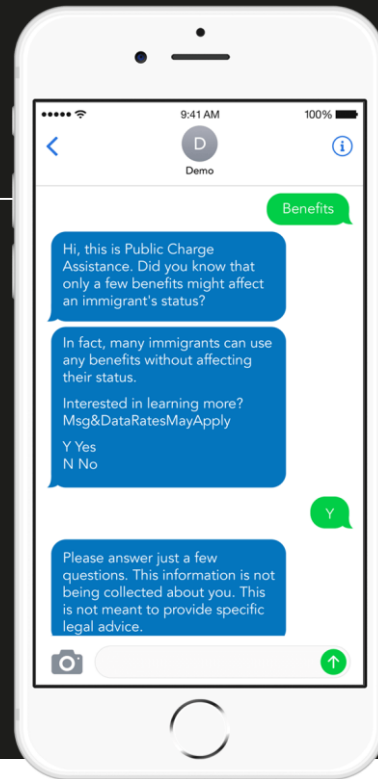




TEXT 650-376-8006 “BENEFITS” (ENGLISH)
OR “LIBRE” (SPANISH) TO TRY!

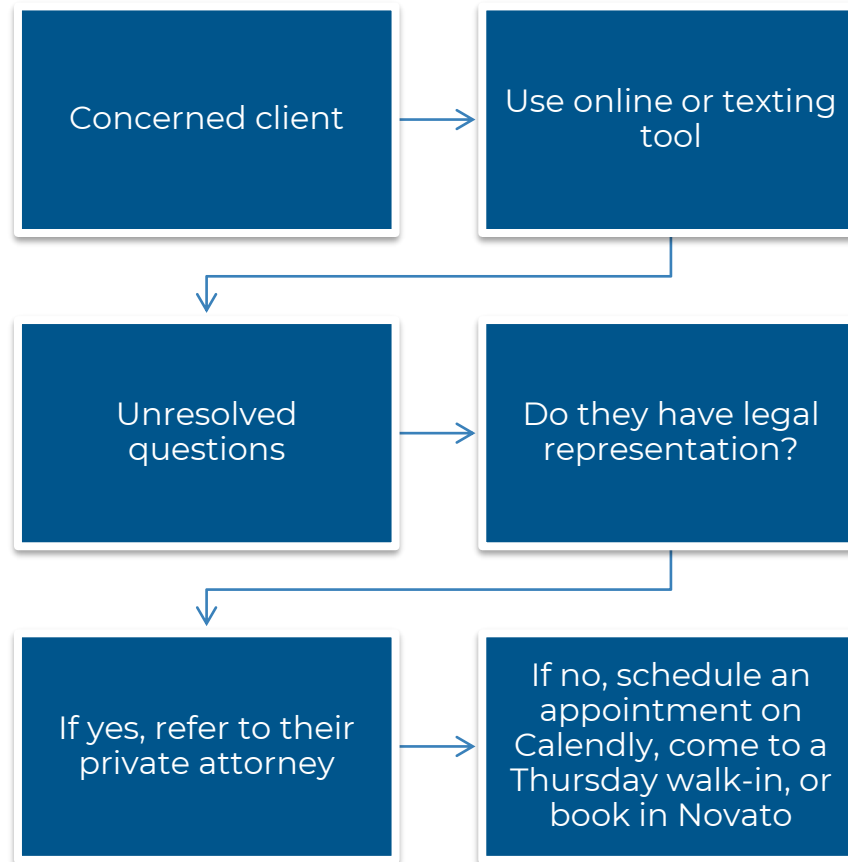
Public Charge Texting Tool

Developed by CommunityConnect Labs and community partners, this texting tool allows for clients to answer yes or no questions through back and forth texting to determine whether or not public charge may apply to that individual.

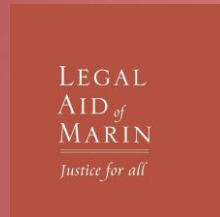


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Referral Process



REQUEST A COMMUNITY-FACING PRESENTATION *(Using the Google Form)*



Resources

- ♥ [Marin HHS Public Charge Mini-Site](#)
- ♥ [Protecting Immigrant Families](#)
- ♥ [Immigrant Legal Resource Center](#)

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