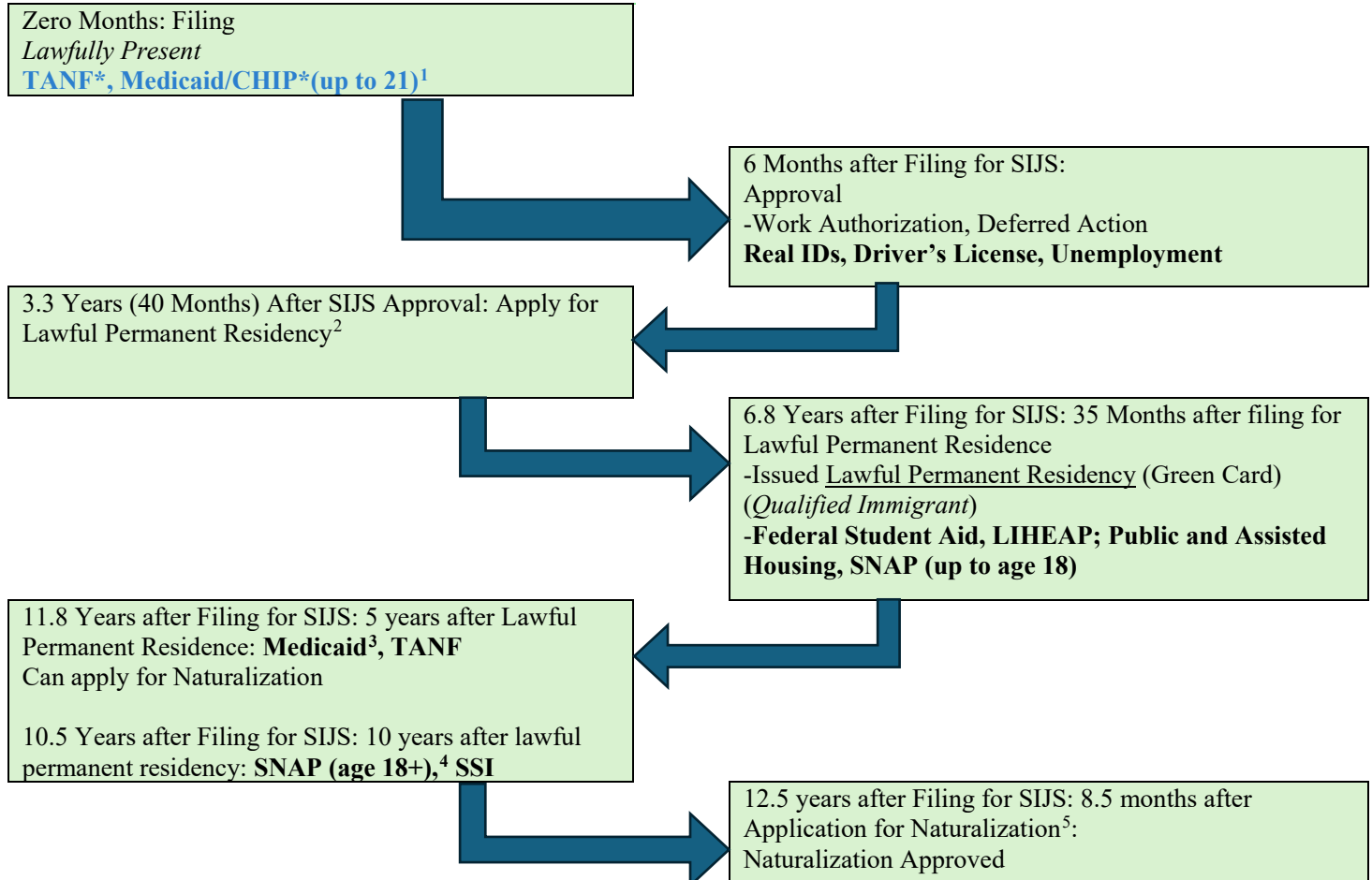


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SIJS Children

- Eligible for Maryland Student Aid, Grants and Loans if graduated from Maryland secondary school, or received GED in state, and must have 3 years of filing Maryland taxes by the student or their parent/guardian
- All pregnant individuals are eligible for prenatal care, full scope health care, 12 months post-partum care and newborn care without regard to immigration status.
- All Maryland residents who filed MD tax returns for 2 years eligible for state issued driver's licenses and IDs.
- All children are eligible for K-12 public education regardless of immigration status



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¹ Residents of Montgomery County (adults and children) and Prince George County (children) may be eligible for county-provided healthcare prior to federal eligibility.

² Time to application may vary depending on when priority date becomes current. The current backlog is approximately 5 years.

³ Eligible for federal Medicaid having attained lawful permanent residence and having completed the 5-year bar.

⁴ Must be under age 18, disabled, or earned 40 quarters (10 years) of work credit since work authorization).

⁵ Wait time is 8.5 months at the Baltimore Field Office.

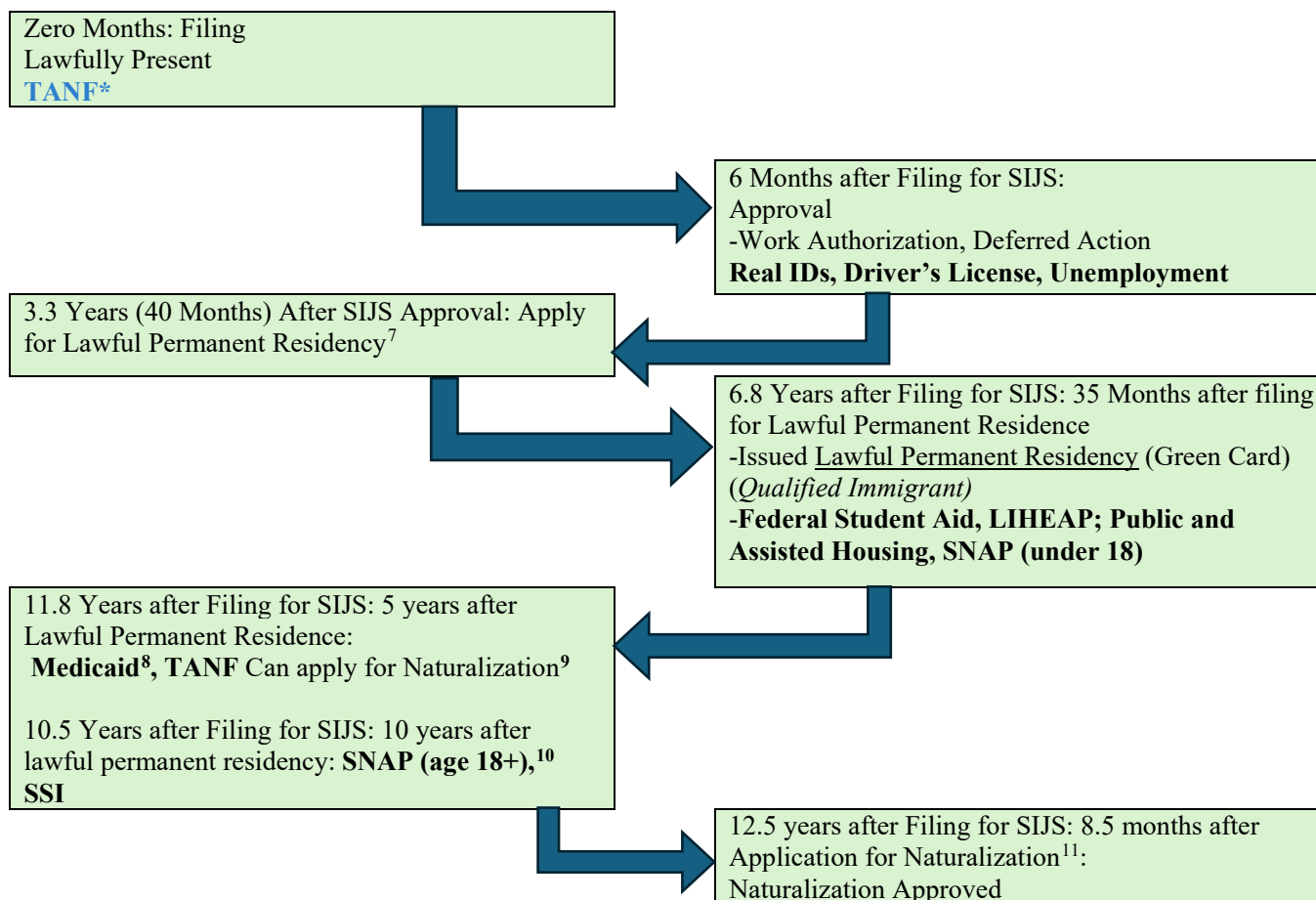
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SIJS Applicants Who Become Adults⁶

- **Eligible for Maryland Student Aid, Grants and Loans if graduated from Maryland secondary school, or received GED in state, and must have 3 years of filing Maryland taxes by the student or their parent/guardian**
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⁶ Children must apply for SIJS before age 21. If filed prior to turning 21, the SIJS application can be granted regardless of the applicants age at adjudication.

⁷ Time to application may vary depending on when priority date becomes current. The current backlog is approximately 5 years.

⁸ Eligible for federal Medicaid having attained lawful permanent residence and 5 years after receiving VAWA prima facie determination. Residents of Montgomery County (adults and children) and Prince George County (children) may be eligible for county-provided healthcare prior to federal eligibility.

⁹ Eligible for federal Medicaid having attained lawful permanent residence and having completed the 5-year bar. Residents of Montgomery County (adults and children) and Prince George County (children) may be eligible for county-provided healthcare prior to federal eligibility.

¹⁰ Must have met 5-year bar, be disabled, elderly if entered the US before 8/22/96, or earned 40 quarters (10 years) of work credit since work authorization.

¹¹ Wait time is 8.5 months at the Baltimore Field Office.