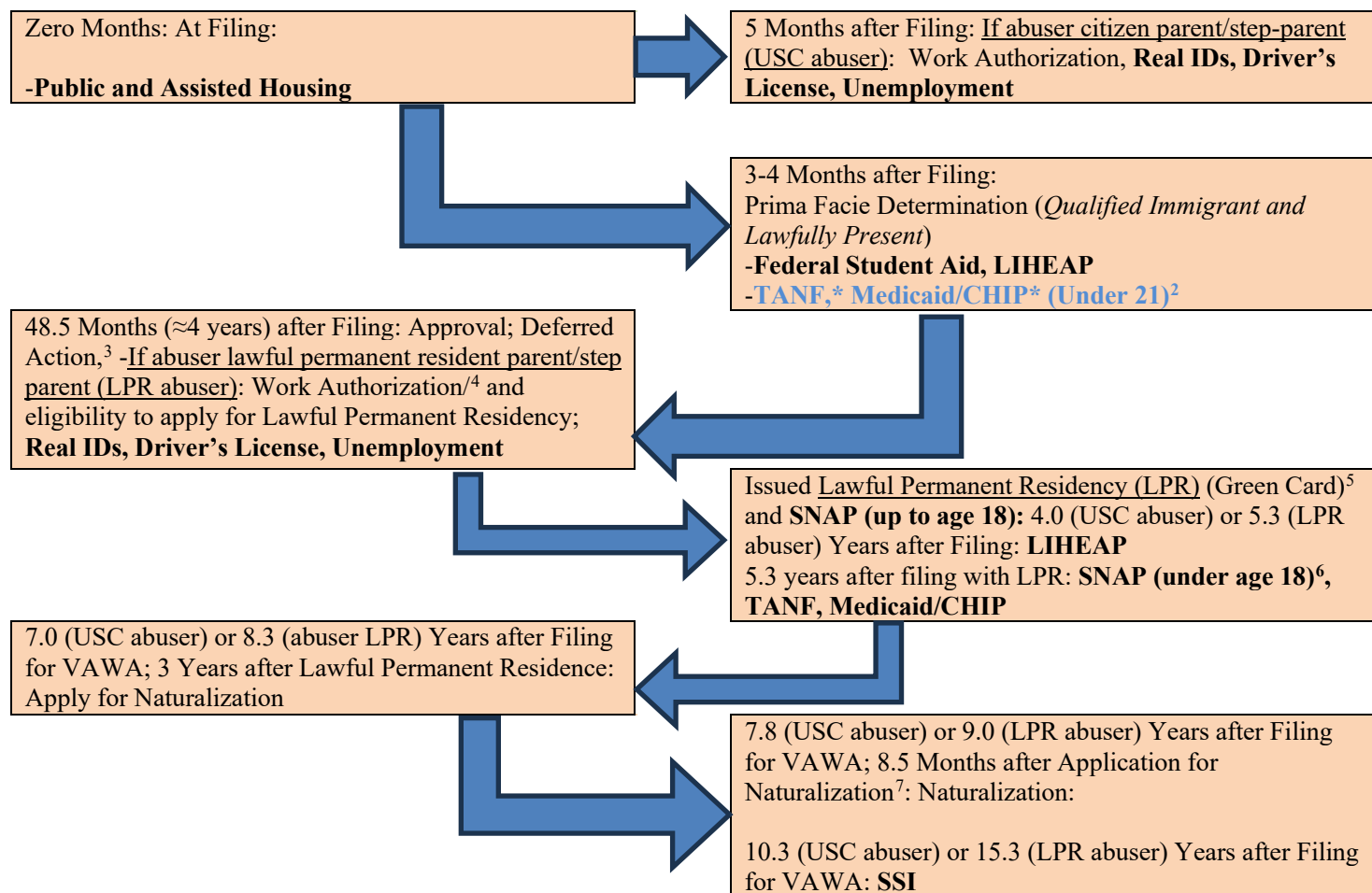


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VAWA Children¹

- **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 Child is up to age 21 under immigration law. For public benefits age limit varies by benefits program see state public benefits charts.

² Residents of Montgomery County (adults and children) and Prince George County (children) eligible for county-provided healthcare.

³ Formal protection from removal/deportation

⁴ If spouse/child/stepchild of citizen abuser filed lawful permanent resident application with VAWA self-petition

⁵ If spouse/child/stepchild of citizen abuser filed lawful permanent resident application with VAWA self-petition. Baltimore Field Office wait time 15 months.

⁶ Must be under age 18, disabled, met the 5-year bar, or earned 40 quarters (10 years) of work credit since work authorization.

⁷ Wait time is 8.5 months at the Baltimore Field Office.

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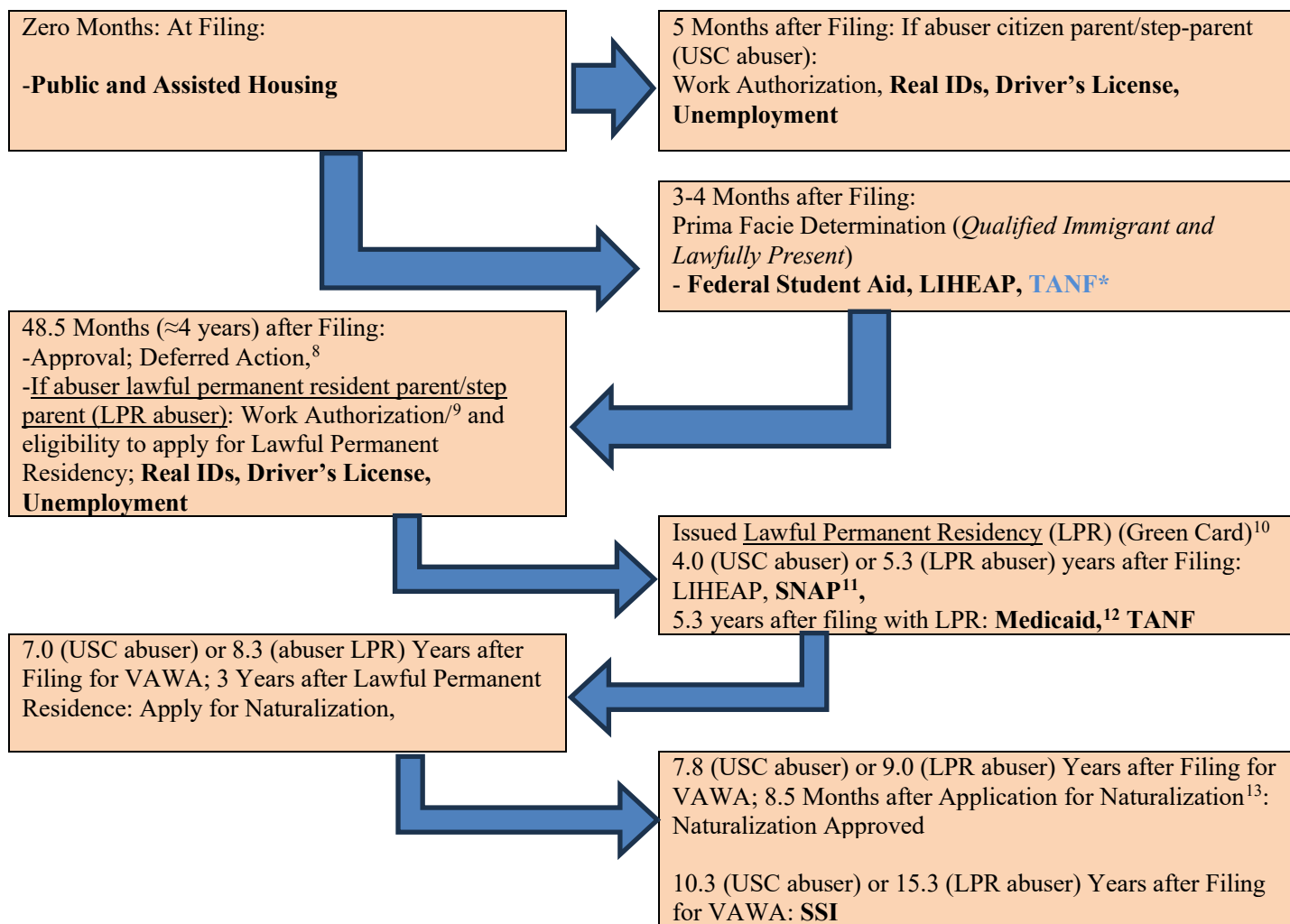
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VAWA Adults

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¹¹ 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.

¹² Eligible for federal Medicaid 5 years after receiving VAWA prima facie determination. Starting October 1, 2026 will also require lawful permanent residency. Residents of Montgomery County (adults and children) and Prince George County (children) may be eligible for county-provided healthcare prior to federal eligibility.

¹³ Wait time is 8.5 months at the Baltimore Field Office.