

Access to State-Funded<sup>a</sup> Public Benefits in Pennsylvania for Survivors,  
Based on Immigration Status<sup>b</sup>

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|                        | <i>Qualified Immigrant<sup>d</sup></i>   |   | <i>HHS Certification</i>  | <i>Lawfully Present</i>  |   |  | <i>Limited Benefits Eligibility<sup>10</sup></i>   |                             |
| TANF (Cash Assistance) | VAWA: Eligible with prima facie determination, <sup>11</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996 <sup>12</sup> (After the first 12 months may be subject to deeming). <sup>13</sup> | <u>Refugee/Asylee:</u> Eligible for TANF regardless of date of entry. <sup>18</sup><br><br><u>T visa:</u> with HHS certification or eligibility | Human trafficking victims eligible: with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility determination (under 18). <sup>22</sup> | Not eligible. <sup>26</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, DACA applicants eligible as PRUCOLs.<sup>27</sup></i> | Eligible after receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>28</sup> (may be subject to deeming). <sup>29</sup> | Eligible after receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996 <sup>31</sup> (may | No federal eligibility. <sup>34</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, U visa applicants are eligible as PRUCOLs.<sup>35</sup></i> | Not eligible. <sup>36</sup> |

<sup>a</sup> Federally funded public benefits are in non-italicized typeface and *state-funded public benefits are italicized*.

<sup>b</sup> The chart shows eligibility based on immigration status. Applicants must also meet all other program eligibility requirements, such as income/resource limits. Children and other family members included in an individual's immigration application receive the same access to public benefits as the applicant. When children qualify for federal or state public benefits, immigrant parents can file child-only benefits applications on their children's behalf. Congress exempted from the public charge ground of inadmissibility immigrant victims applying for immigration relief and lawful permanent residency through the following immigration benefits programs: VAWA self-petitioning (as defined in footnote "d"), VAWA cancellation of removal, VAWA suspension of deportation, U visas, and T visas. For technical assistance on benefits access for immigrant survivors please contact the National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project, American University, Washington College of Law (202) 274-4457 or [info@niwap.org](mailto:info@niwap.org). NIWAP would like to thank Michelle Aronowitz and Dean's Fellows Alexandra Brown and Sandeep Purewal for their work in developing these state public benefits charts.

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<sup>d</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(a)-(c) (Qualified immigrants are: **lawful permanent residents (LPRs)**(For up-to-date details on LPR benefits eligibility see National Immigrant Law Center, Table 1, Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs (March 2023) [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/) and NIWAP's Public Benefits Map <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/benefits-map>); refugees; asylees; persons granted withholding of deportation/removal, conditional entry (as in effect prior to Apr. 1, 1980), humanitarian parolee; Cuban/Haitian entrants; and certain battered immigrants. A battered immigrant is someone who: (1)(a) has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the U.S. by a U.S. citizen or LPR spouse, parent or step-parent or member of the spouse/parent/step-parent's family residing in the same household as the immigrant and the spouse/parent/step-parent consented to or acquiesced in such battery or cruelty, and there is a substantial connection between the battery or cruelty and the need for the public benefits, and (b) has been approved or has a petition or self-petition pending which sets forth a prima facie case for certain immigrant visa classifications, suspension of deportation, or cancellation of removal; or (2) is a victim of trafficking or a family member of a trafficking victim who has been granted T visa status or whose T visa application sets forth a prima facie case.). For discussion of prima facie determinations by immigration judges in suspension of deportation and cancellation of removal cases for battered immigrants, see OFFICE OF THE CHIEF IMMIGRATION JUDGE, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OPERATING POLICY AND PROCEDURE MEMORANDUM 97-9; MOTIONS FOR "PRIMA FACIE" DETERMINATION AND VERIFICATION REQUESTS FOR BATTERED SPOUSES AND CHILDREN, <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/prima-facie-verification-requests/> (last visited Mar. 2, 2018).

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| <b>TANF</b>       | <p><u>Lawful permanent residents:</u> Eligible subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996<sup>14</sup> (may be subject to deeming)<sup>15</sup></p> <p><u>Naturalized citizens:</u> Eligible without restrictions.<sup>16</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, VAWA self-petitioners with prima facie determinations and lawful permanent residents eligible during the 5 year waiting period<sup>17</sup></i></p> | <p>determination_eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>19</sup></p> <p>At the state's discretion, <u>T visa holders or applicants</u> eligible as qualified immigrants with prima facie (bona fide) determination, subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>20</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations eligible as refugees and are exempt from the 5 year waiting period.<sup>21</sup></i></p> | <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible regardless of date of entry.<sup>23</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status are eligible without HHS certification or determination; they are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus eligible regardless of date of entry.<sup>24</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, trafficking victims with HHS certification or eligibility letters are eligible for TANF as PRUCOLs.<sup>25</sup></i></p> |   | <p><i>In Pennsylvania, SIJS applicants are eligible as PRUCOLs and SIJS recipients with lawful permanent residency eligible during the 5 year waiting period<sup>30</sup></i></p>  | <p>be subject to deeming).<sup>32</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, U visa applicants are eligible as PRUCOLs and U visa holders with lawful permanent residency eligible during the 5 year waiting period<sup>33</sup></i></p> |   |   |
| <b>Child Care</b> | <p>Children with prima facie determination and child lawful permanent residents are qualified immigrants eligible for Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)-funded child care.<sup>37</sup></p>   | <p>Children who are <u>asylees or refugees</u> are eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care.<sup>41</sup></p> <p><u>T visa:</u> Eligible for CCDF-funded child</p>   | <p>Human trafficking victims with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or an HHS eligibility determination (under 18) are eligible for</p>   | <p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:<br/>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public</p> | <p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:<br/>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care</p> | <p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:<br/>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or</p>   | <p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:<br/>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public</p> | <p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:<br/>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public</p> |

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| <b>Child Care</b> | <p>TANF-funded childcare subject to five-year bar for immigrants who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>38</sup></p> <p><u>Naturalized citizens:</u> Eligible without restrictions.<sup>39</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, VAWA self-petitioners with prima facie determinations and lawful permanent residents are eligible for TANF-funded child care.</i><sup>40</sup></p> | <p>care and TANF-funded child care under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>42</sup></p> <p>Children who are T visa holders or applicants with prima facie (bona fide) determination are eligible for CCDF-funded child care.<sup>43</sup> They are also eligible for TANF-funded childcare subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>44</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, refugees, asylees and T visa applicants with bona fide determinations are eligible for TANF-funded child care.</i><sup>45</sup></p> | <p>CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care.<sup>46</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care, no need for HHS Certification or eligibility determination.<sup>47</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, trafficking victims with HHS certification or eligibility letters are eligible for TANF-funded child care as PRUCOLs.</i><sup>48</sup></p> | <p>educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>49</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, DACA applicants are eligible for TANF funded child care when eligible for TANF as PROCOLs.</i><sup>50</sup></p> | <p>provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Childcare is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>51</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency, eligible as for CCDF-funded child care.<sup>52</sup></p> <p>Also eligible for TANF-funded child care subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>53</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, SIJS applicants are eligible as PRUCOLs and SIJS recipients with lawful permanent residency eligible for TANF funded child care when eligible for TANF.</i><sup>54</sup></p> | <p>private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Childcare is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>55</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency, eligible as for CCDF-funded child care.<sup>56</sup> Also eligible for TANF-funded child care subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>57</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, U visa applicants are eligible as PRUCOLs and U visa holders with lawful permanent residency eligible</i></p> | <p>educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>59</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, U visa applicants are eligible for TANF funded child care when eligible for TANF.</i><sup>60</sup></p> | <p>educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>61</sup></p> |

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| Child Care  |   |   |  |  |   | for TANF-funded child care when eligible for TANF. <sup>58</sup>   |                   |               |
| SNAP (Food Stamps) <sup>62</sup>  | Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence, subject to an additional condition, e.g.: five years residency, younger than 18, elderly (if lawfully residing in the U.S. on 8/22/96 disabled, or if Lawful Permanent Resident with 40 quarters of work credit. <sup>63</sup><br><br><u>Naturalized citizens:</u> Eligible without restrictions. <sup>64</sup>   | <u>Refugee/Asylee:</u> Eligible with no additional conditions. <sup>65</sup><br><br><u>T visa:</u> Eligible with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application, subject to an additional condition (e.g., five-years residency, under 18, elderly, or disabled). <sup>66</sup> Also eligible under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act to the same extent as refugees. <sup>67</sup> | Human trafficking victims are eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18). <sup>68</sup> Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS certification or eligibility determination. <sup>69</sup><br><br>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible with no additional conditions. <sup>70</sup> | Not eligible.  | Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to an additional condition, <sup>71</sup> e.g.: under 18, <sup>72</sup> five years residency, <sup>73</sup> 40 qualifying work quarters, <sup>74</sup> or disabled. <sup>75</sup> | Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to an additional condition, <sup>76</sup> e.g.: under 18, <sup>77</sup> five years residency, <sup>78</sup> 40 qualifying work quarters, <sup>79</sup> elderly, <sup>80</sup> or disabled. <sup>81</sup> | Not eligible.     | Not eligible. |
| The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) | The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provides Federal grants to States for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk, without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship. <sup>82</sup> Applicants must live in the state in which they apply, but are not required to live there for a certain amount of time in order to meet the WIC residency requirement. <sup>83</sup> Applicants must also have an income at or below an income level or standard set by the state agency, or be determined automatically income-eligible based on participation in certain programs (TANF, SNAP benefits, Medicaid). <sup>84</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, applicants may apply for WIC at any of the clinics across the state.<sup>85</sup> The income eligibility requirement for a parent or guardian, who is the sole provider of children under age five, is to be at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty level.<sup>86</sup></i> |   |  |  |   |  |                   |               |

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| <b>Purchase Health Insurance on Exchanges<sup>87</sup></b> | Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination, <sup>88</sup> as a lawful permanent resident, <sup>89</sup> or naturalized citizen. <sup>90</sup>  | <u>Refugee</u> : Eligible. <sup>91</sup><br><br><u>Asylee</u> : Eligible; applicants eligible if granted work authorization; applicants under 14 eligible if application pending at least 180 days. <sup>92</sup><br><br><u>T visa</u> : Eligible with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application. <sup>93</sup>                        | Human trafficking victims eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18). <sup>94</sup><br><br>Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS certification or eligibility determination. <sup>95</sup><br><br>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible regardless of date of entry. <sup>96</sup> | Not eligible. <sup>97</sup>  | Eligible upon filing SIJS application. <sup>98</sup>   | Eligible upon U visa, bona fide determination, <sup>99</sup> or wait list approval. <sup>100</sup>   | Not eligible. <sup>101</sup>   | Not eligible. <sup>102</sup>   |
| <b>Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP)<sup>103</sup></b> | Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if arrived prior to August 22, 1996 and subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>104</sup><br><br>Naturalized citizens eligible. <sup>105</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present</i> | <u>Refugee/Asylee</u> : Eligible, exempt from five-year bar. <sup>107</sup><br><br><u>T visa</u> : with HHS certification or eligibility determination, immediately eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees. <sup>108</sup><br><br><u>T visa holders and T visa applicants</u> with | Human trafficking victims are eligible with an HHS certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or eligibility determination (under 18). <sup>111</sup><br><br>Family members with T visa status are eligible without HHS Certification or eligibility determination. <sup>112</sup><br><br>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and  | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>115</sup> | Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>116</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present children and pregnant children (including SIJS applicants and recipients).</i> <sup>117</sup> | If entered prior to August 22, 1996, eligible upon attaining lawful permanent residency. <sup>118</sup><br>If arrived on or after August 22, 1996, eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, but subject to five-year bar. <sup>119</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania,</i> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>122</sup> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>123</sup> |

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| <b>CHIP</b>                              | <i>children and pregnant children (including VAWA self-petitioning children with prima facie determinations and lawful permanent residents).</i> <sup>106</sup>  | prima facie (bona fide) determinations eligible as qualified immigrants, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>109</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present children and pregnant children (including refugees, asylees, and T visa applicants with bona fide determinations).</i> <sup>110</sup> | are exempt from five-year bar. <sup>113</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present children and pregnant children (including trafficking victims with HHS certification or eligibility letters).</i> <sup>114</sup>  |  |   | <i>Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully residing children and pregnant children (including U visa holders, bona fide determinations<sup>120</sup> and wait-list approved U visa applicants).</i> <sup>121</sup>   |  |  |
| <b>Full-Scope Medicaid<sup>124</sup></b> | Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if arrived prior to August 22, 1996 and subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>125</sup><br><br>Naturalized citizens eligible. <sup>126</sup><br><br>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status or citizenship status. <sup>127</sup> | <u>Refugee/Asylee:</u> Eligible, exempt from five-year bar. <sup>129</sup><br><br><u>T visa :</u> with HHS certification or eligibility determination, immediately eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees. <sup>130</sup><br><br><u>T visa holders and T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide)             | Human trafficking victims are eligible with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or eligibility determination (under 18). <sup>133</sup><br><br>Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS Certification or eligibility determination. <sup>134</sup><br><br>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and are exempt from five-year bar. <sup>135</sup> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>138</sup> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>139</sup><br><br>Eligible after receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>140</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present immigrants and pregnant persons (including SIJS</i> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>142</sup><br><br>If entered prior to August 22, 1996, eligible upon attaining lawful permanent residency. <sup>143</sup><br><br>If arrived on or after August 22, 1996, eligible upon receiving lawful permanent | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>147</sup> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>148</sup> |



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| <b>Full-Scope Medicaid</b>   | <i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present immigrants and pregnant persons (including VAWA self-petitioners with prima facie determinations and lawful permanent residents).</i> <sup>128</sup>  | determinations eligible as qualified immigrants, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>131</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present immigrants and pregnant persons (including refugees, asylees, and T visa applicants with bona fide determinations).</i> <sup>132</sup> | Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>136</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present immigrants (including trafficking victims with HHS certification or eligibility letters).</i> <sup>137</sup>                    |  | <i>applicants and recipients).</i> <sup>141</sup>   | residency, subject to five-year bar. <sup>144</sup><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, Medical Assistance (MA) available for lawfully present immigrants and pregnant persons (including U visa holders, bona fide determinations<sup>145</sup> and wait-list approved U visa applicants).</i> <sup>146</sup> |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Compensation</b>  | The Victims of Crime Act provides compensation to crime victims for costs associated with the crime victimization. Costs covered by VOCA include compensation for medical bills, lost wages, counseling sessions, crime scene clean up, and reimbursement for many other expenses. VOCA compensation is available to crime victims without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship. <sup>149</sup> |  |  |  |   |   |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Family Medical Leave Act</b>  | Pennsylvania has no state Family Medical Leave Act. Federal FMLA law applies. <sup>150</sup>   |  |  |  |   |   |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Education-Federal Benefits: Federal Student Aid, Grants and Loans<sup>151</sup></b> | VAWA's with prima facie determinations and alllawful permanent residents, eligible <sup>152</sup><br><br>Naturalized citizens, eligible. <sup>153</sup>  | Refugees, Asylees, and T visa holders or T visa applicants with prima facie (bona fide) determination, an HHS Certification or eligibility letter are eligible for federal student aid. <sup>154</sup>   | Human trafficking victims eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), and family members with T visa status, are eligible for federal student aid. <sup>155</sup> | Not eligible for federal student aid. <sup>156</sup>       | Eligible for federal student aid upon receipt of lawful permanent residency. <sup>157</sup> | Eligible for federal student aid upon receipt of lawful permanent residency. <sup>158</sup>   | Not eligible for federal student aid. | Not eligible for federal student aid. |

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| <b>Education-State Law</b>                              | <p>All children, without regard to immigration status or citizenship are eligible to attend public elementary and secondary (K-12) schools. State schools may not request citizenship or immigration status information and may not bar students from enrolling in public elementary or secondary schools based on the citizenship or immigration status of the student, their parent or their guardian.<sup>159</sup></p> <p><i>At its public postsecondary institutions, Pennsylvania does not allow in-state tuition rates and access to institutional aid or scholarships for non-citizens.<sup>160</sup> Although eligible to apply for and enroll in state funded colleges and universities without regard to immigration status,<sup>161</sup> students who are not qualified immigrants (including lawful permanent residents, VAWA self-petitioners, asylees, refugees, T visa holders, and T visa applications with bona fide determinations) are not eligible in Pennsylvania for state funded post-secondary educational grants and loans.<sup>162</sup> Pennsylvania State University extends in-state tuition to students in the state who meet the university's residence requirements without regard to immigration status.<sup>163</sup></i></p> |   |  |  |  |  |                              |                              |
| <b>Supplemental Security Income (SSI)<sup>164</sup></b> | <p>Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if received SSI on August 22, 1996, or lawfully residing in the U.S. as of that date and now disabled.<sup>165</sup> May also be eligible with a prima facie determination if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979.<sup>166</sup></p> <p>Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if credited with 40 quarters of work,<sup>167</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>168</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens, eligible.<sup>169</sup></p>   | <p><u>Refugees/Asylees:</u><br/>Eligible during first seven years after the status was granted.<sup>170</sup></p> <p><u>Trafficking victims:</u><br/>Eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>171</sup></p> <p><u>T visa</u><sup>172</sup>: Eligible as a qualified immigrant with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application if receiving SSI on August 22, 1996, or lawfully residing in the U.S. as of that date and now disabled.<sup>173</sup> May also be eligible with a prima facie determination if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979.<sup>174</sup> This eligibility allows trafficking victims who are disabled to</p> | Human trafficking victims: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), or family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination) are eligible to the same extent as refugees. <sup>176</sup> | Not eligible.  | Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if credited with 40 quarters of work, <sup>177</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>178</sup> | Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if: credited with 40 quarters of work <sup>179</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996; or if receiving SSI as of August 22, 1996; or if lawfully residing in U.S. as of that date and now disabled. <sup>180</sup> Lawful permanent residents may also be eligible if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979. <sup>181</sup> | Not eligible. <sup>182</sup> | Not eligible. <sup>183</sup> |



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| SSI                                  |  | continue to receive SSI after the 7 years. <sup>175</sup>                           |   |  |   |  |                   |              |
| Driver's License <sup>184</sup>      | <p>Under the REAL ID Act, evidence of “lawful status” or naturalized citizenship is required for a driver’s license to be accepted by a federal agency for official purposes.<sup>185</sup> The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), by regulation, lists specific documents that will provide satisfactory evidence of lawful status.<sup>186</sup> All documentation for REAL ID compliant ID’s will be submitted through the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program (S.A.V.E.).<sup>187</sup> DHS will also approve acceptance of other documentation issued by DHS or other Federal agencies demonstrating lawful status, as determined by USCIS.<sup>188</sup> In addition, DHS permits states to establish an “Exception Process” and consider “Alternative Documents.”<sup>189</sup></p> <p><i>In additional REAL ID’s, Pennsylvania offers a non-REAL ID license to immigrants. The non-REAL ID compliant Driver’s License requires the following documents<sup>190</sup>:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Security card <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Only if eligible for one.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Two proofs of Pennsylvania residency</li> <li>• One immigration document<sup>191</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The particular document depends on individual immigration status.<sup>192</sup> Examples include: I-551 permanent resident card, passport with the I-551 stamp, machine readable visa, re-entry permit I-327, <b>Employment Authorization Card</b><sup>193</sup>, Refugee Travel Document, Reception and Placement Assurance Form, valid or expired passport, I-797 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The stage in the immigration application process at which most immigrant crime victims will receive full a state issued driver’s license is upon receipt of employment authorization.<sup>194</sup></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> |   |   |  |   |  | Not eligible.     |              |
| Professional & Occupational Licenses | The Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners issued a rule authorizing immigrants with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals for admission to the Pennsylvania Bar. <sup>195</sup> Pennsylvania has no other state laws or policies regarding immigrant access to professional or occupational licenses including whether or not work authorization is sufficient or required.   |   |   |  |   |  |                   |              |

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| <b>Housing, Health, and Other Services Necessary to Protect Life or Safety</b>  | <p>Certain federally assisted programs providing services necessary to protect life or safety must make those services available without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship and may not withhold those services based on immigration status.<sup>196</sup> Programs considered necessary for the protection of life or safety include, but are not limited to: short term shelter or transitional housing for the homeless, or for victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, or human trafficking, or for runaway, abused or abandoned children; crisis counseling and intervention programs; services and assistance relating to victims of domestic violence or other criminal activity, child protection, adult protective services, or violence and abuse prevention; soup kitchens, community food banks, senior nutrition programs and other nutritional programs for persons requiring special assistance (e.g., WIC); medical and public health services (including federally qualified health centers); mental health, disability, or substance abuse assistance necessary to protect life or safety; activities designed to protect the life or safety of workers, children and youths, or community residents; programs to help individuals during periods of adverse weather conditions.<sup>197</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, the Department of Community and Economic Development administers the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and provides street outreach, shelter, and rapid re-housing services to the homeless, and homelessness prevention services to those at risk of homelessness.<sup>198</sup> Pennsylvania's Homeless Assistance Program gives immediate and comprehensive shelter services to homeless persons and persons at risk of becoming homeless.<sup>199</sup></i></p> |  |  |   |   |  |   |   |
| <b>Public and Assisted<sup>200</sup> Housing,<sup>201</sup> and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Housing<sup>202</sup></b> | <p>VAWA Self-Petitioners Eligible. Upon filing VAWA self-petition, applicant cannot be denied HUD public or assisted housing unless and until a final determination of ineligibility.<sup>203</sup></p> <p>USDA rental housing follows HUD procedures for processing VAWA self-petitions,<sup>204</sup> so should be eligible for all USDA rental housing unless and until a final determination of ineligibility. Regardless of immigration status, eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>205</sup> and USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor</p>   | <p><u>Refugee/Asylee, T visa holder or T visa applicant</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determination eligible for:</p> <p>HUD public and assisted housing;<sup>215</sup> USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing;<sup>216</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance;<sup>217</sup> USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member<sup>218</sup> or remaining household member<sup>219</sup> of eligible domestic farm laborer. Upon receiving lawful permanent residency USDA Section</p> | <p>Human trafficking victims with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), and family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination),<sup>222</sup> are eligible for: HUD public and assisted housing<sup>223</sup> and USDA rental housing.<sup>224</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>225</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>226</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>227</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>228</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>229</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>230</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency,<sup>231</sup> eligible for HUD<sup>232</sup> and USDA<sup>233</sup> rental housing.<sup>234</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>235</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>236</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>237</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency,<sup>238</sup> eligible for HUD<sup>239</sup> and USDA<sup>240</sup> rental housing.<sup>241</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing</i></p> | <p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>243</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>244</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>245</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>246</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>247</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>248</sup></i></p> |

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| <b>Public and Assisted Housing and LIHTC</b> | <p>Housing if immediate family member of eligible tenant.<sup>206</sup></p> <p>Upon filing self-VAWA self-petition, remaining household member of eligible domestic farm laborer eligible to continue to occupy USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing unit.<sup>207</sup></p> <p>Lawful permanent residents are eligible for public and assisted housing<sup>208</sup> and for USDA Section 514/516 Farm Lab or Housing,<sup>209</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance.<sup>210</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens are eligible for public and assisted housing<sup>211</sup> and for USDA Section 514/516 Farm Lab or Housing,<sup>212</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance.<sup>213</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, may be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>214</sup></i></p> | <p>514/516 Farm Labor Housing.<sup>220</sup></p> <p><i>May be eligible to live in Pennsylvania Low Income Housing Tax Credit property.<sup>221</sup></i></p> |   |  |   | <i>Tax Credit property.<sup>242</sup></i>              |                   |              |

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| <b>Income Tax Credits</b>              | <p><u>Child Tax Credit:</u> Immigrants with social security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) who care for dependent children under the age of 17 are eligible to claim a child tax credit on their income taxes.<sup>249</sup> A qualifying child must be a citizen, national, or resident of the U.S with an SSN or an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).<sup>250</sup> Immigrants eligible to receive social security numbers include naturalized citizens, lawful permanent residents, refugees, asylees, and VAWA self-petitioners, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations, and wait-list approved U visa applicants once they are granted work authorization. Any immigrant without regard to immigration status can obtain an ITIN.<sup>251</sup></p> <p><u>Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit:</u> Immigrants with social security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) can claim a child or dependent care tax credit on their income taxes when they care for—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A dependent child under the age of 13,</li> <li>• A spouse who is unable to physically or mentally care for themselves, or</li> <li>• An individual who is unable to care for themselves, mentally or physically who has lived with the taxpayer for at least six months.<sup>252</sup></li> </ul> <p>The child or dependent must have a social security number or ITIN.<sup>253</sup> Immigrants eligible to receive social security numbers include naturalized citizens, lawful permanent residents, refugees, asylees, and VAWA self-petitioners, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations and wait-list approved U visa applicants once they are granted work authorization. Any immigrant without regard to immigration status can obtain an ITIN.<sup>254</sup></p> |  |   |   |  |   |                   |               |
| <b>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)</b> | VAWA self-petitioners, lawful permanent residents, and naturalized citizens who <sup>255</sup> : have been granted work authorization or who are granted lawful permanent residency, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>256</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>257</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>258</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>259</sup>   | Refugees, asylees, asylum applicants, and T visa holders with work authorization or lawful permanent residency who: have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>260</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>261</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>262</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>263</sup> | Recipients of T visa bona fide determinations or continued presence who: are granted work authorization, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>264</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>265</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>266</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>267</sup> | DACA applicants who: are granted work authorization, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>268</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>269</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>270</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>271</sup> | SIJS recipients granted lawful permanent residency who: have lived in the U.S. at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>272</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>273</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>274</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>275</sup> | Once granted lawful permanent residency <sup>276</sup> or work authorization U visa holders and U visa applicants with deferred action (based on bona fide determinations or wait-list approval) who have lived in the U.S. for six months, <sup>277</sup> who have a social security number valid for work, <sup>278</sup> and who are earning income are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>279</sup> | Not eligible.     | Not eligible. |

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| <b>Legal Services</b> <sup>280</sup> | <p>An immigrant who (or whose child) is battered or subjected to extreme cruelty<sup>281</sup> inside or outside of the United States<sup>282</sup> is eligible for legal assistance from Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agencies on matters related to the abuse.<sup>283</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving lawful permanent resident status,<sup>284</sup> or spouses, parents, and unmarried children under age 21 of U.S. citizens<sup>285</sup> become eligible for full representation on any matter upon filing an application for lawful permanent residency.<sup>286</sup></p> <p>Lawful permanent residents, applicants for lawful permanent residency,<sup>287</sup> and naturalized citizens<sup>288</sup> are eligible for full representation.</p> | <p><u>Refugee/Asylee:</u><br/>Refugees and Asylees are eligible for legal assistance on any matter the Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agency handles.<sup>293</sup></p> <p><u>T visa:</u><br/>An immigrant who has been (or whose child has been) a victim of trafficking in the U.S., including a T visa holder,<sup>294</sup> is eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles.<sup>295</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>296</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>297</sup> or dating violence.<sup>298</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>299</sup></p> | <p>An immigrant victim of severe forms of human trafficking with (or seeking) HHS Certification,<sup>300</sup> and derivative family members with (or applying for) T visa status,<sup>301</sup> are eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles.</p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>302</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>303</sup> or dating violence.<sup>304</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>305</sup></p> | <p>A DACA recipient who is (or whose child is) battered or subjected to extreme cruelty,<sup>306</sup> or is a victim of sexual assault or trafficking in the U.S.,<sup>307</sup> is eligible for legal services from LSC-funded agencies<sup>308</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>309</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>310</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>311</sup> or dating violence.<sup>312</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>313</sup></p> | <p>Eligible for LSC-funded legal assistance when the child has suffered battering or extreme cruelty,<sup>314</sup> or sexual assault or trafficking in the U.S.,<sup>315</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>316</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving LPR status,<sup>317</sup> or, for the spouse, parent or unmarried child under 21 of a U.S. citizen, upon filing an application for LPR status.<sup>318</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>319</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>320</sup> or dating violence.<sup>321</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>322</sup></p> | <p>An immigrant who has (or whose child has) been granted, applied for, or qualifies to apply for U visa status and a family member eligible to apply for U visa status<sup>323</sup> is eligible for legal assistance from Legal Services Corp (LSC)-funded agencies<sup>324</sup> on matters related to the crime victimization.<sup>325</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving LPR status,<sup>326</sup> or, for the spouse, parent or unmarried child under 21 of a U.S. citizen, upon filing an application for LPR status.<sup>327</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>328</sup> 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| <b>Legal Services</b>  | Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance <sup>289</sup> as a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking <sup>290</sup> or dating violence. <sup>291</sup> Must be at least 11 years old. <sup>292</sup>   |   |  |  |   | Must be at least 11 years old. <sup>331</sup>   | Must be at least 11 years old. <sup>338</sup>  |  |
| <b>Weatherization Program (WAP) and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)</b> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>347</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon receipt of VAWA prima facie determination, lawful permanent residence, or naturalized citizenship.<sup>348</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to</i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>351</sup></p> <p>Refugees, asylees, T visa holders, and T visa applicants with prima facie (bona fide) determination eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance.<sup>352</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents,</i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings without, regard to immigration status.<sup>355</sup></p> <p>Human trafficking victims with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility determination (under 18), are considered refugees and thus are eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling and single-family weatherization assistance.<sup>356</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>357</sup></i></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for LIHEAP if annual</i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>359</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>360</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>361</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon receiving lawful permanent residency.<sup>362</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>363</sup></i></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for LIHEAP if annual income at or</i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings without, regard to immigration status.<sup>365</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon receiving lawful permanent residency.<sup>366</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as</i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>369</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>370</sup></i></p> | <p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>371</sup></p> <p><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WX), if at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, with priority given to higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>372</sup></i></p> |



|   | <b>VAWA Self-Petitioners, Battered Spouse Waivers,<sup>1</sup> Lawful Permanent Residents, and Naturalized Citizens</b>  | <b>Refugee, Asylee, T Visa,<sup>2</sup> Afghans,<sup>3</sup> Ukrainians<sup>4</sup></b>   | <b>T Visa<sup>5</sup>/ Continued Presence<sup>6</sup></b>   | <b>Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)<sup>7</sup></b> | <b>Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)<sup>8</sup></b>   | <b>U Visa, bona fide, or wait list approval.<sup>9</sup></b>   | <b>U Visa Applicants</b>   | <b>Undocumented</b>          |
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| <b>WAP and LIHEAP</b>   | <i>higher risk residents, such as the elderly and children.<sup>349</sup></i><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for LIHEAP if annual income at or below 150% of federal poverty level; note, applications are only accepted during certain periods of the year.<sup>350</sup></i>  | <i>such as the elderly and children.<sup>353</sup></i><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for LIHEAP if annual income at or below 150% of federal poverty level; note, applications are only accepted during certain periods of the year.<sup>354</sup></i>  | <i>income at or below 150% federal poverty level; note, applications are only accepted during certain periods of the year.<sup>358</sup></i>  |  | <i>below 150% of federal poverty level; note, applications are only accepted during certain periods of the year.<sup>364</sup></i>  | <i>the elderly and children.<sup>367</sup></i><br><br><i>In Pennsylvania, eligible for LIHEAP if annual income at or below 150% of federal poverty level; note, applications are only accepted during certain periods of the year.<sup>368</sup></i>                               |  |                              |
| <b>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance<sup>373</sup></b>          | Eligible for certain FEMA provided emergency services that are available to all victims regardless of their immigration status or naturalized citizenship. These services are short term, non-cash, in-kind emergency disaster relief, including: search and rescue, emergency medical care, mass care and shelter, resources for essential needs such as food, water and medicine, and reduction of immediate threats to life, property, public health and safety. <sup>374</sup> |   |   |  |   |  |  |                              |
|   | D-SNAP, which provides temporary food assistance for households affected by a natural disaster, may be available for households that are not normally eligible for SNAP benefits. <sup>375</sup>   |   |   |  |   |  |  |                              |
| <b>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-Restricted Programs<sup>376</sup></b> | Upon receipt of VAWA prima facie determination, lawful permanent residence, or naturalized citizenship <sup>377</sup> :<br><br>Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>378</sup><br><br>Eligible for Emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance   | FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA): open to <u>Refugees</u> , <u>Asylees</u> , <u>T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determination. <sup>380</sup><br><br>Emergency SNAP open to <u>Refugees/Asylees</u> (no five-year bar), <sup>381</sup> and <u>T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) | Human trafficking victims eligible: with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility determination (under 18) or family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination). <sup>383</sup><br><br>These human trafficking victims are considered refugees and thus are eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individual and Households | Not eligible.  | Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>385</sup><br><br>Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years of age; can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents, or | Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>387</sup><br><br>Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years of age; | Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>389</sup><br><br>Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years | Not eligible. <sup>391</sup> |

|   | VAWA Self-Petitioners, Battered Spouse Waivers, <sup>1</sup> Lawful Permanent Residents, and Naturalized Citizens  | Refugee, Asylee, T Visa, <sup>2</sup> Afghans, <sup>3</sup> Ukrainians <sup>4</sup>   | T Visa <sup>5</sup> / Continued Presence <sup>6</sup>  | Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) <sup>7</sup>         | Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) <sup>8</sup>   | U Visa, bona fide, or wait list approval. <sup>9</sup>   | U Visa Applicants  | Undocumented                 |
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| <b>FEMA</b>                                 | Program (SNAP), subject to five-year bar, unless under 18, or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>379</sup> | determination_ subject to five-year bar, unless under 18, or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>382</sup>   | Program (IHP), Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), and Emergency SNAP. <sup>384</sup>                      |  | spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>386</sup> | can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents, or spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>388</sup> | of age; can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents, or spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>390</sup> |                              |
| <b>Unemployment Insurance<sup>392</sup></b> | Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization, lawful permanent residence, or citizenship. <sup>393</sup>   | <u>Refugee:</u><br>Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>394</sup><br><br><u>Asylee:</u><br>Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>395</sup><br><br><u>T visa:</u><br>Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>396</sup> | Eligible for UI upon receipt of HHS certification or eligibility letter and work authorization. <sup>397</sup> | Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>398</sup> | Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>399</sup>  | Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>400</sup>   | Not eligible. <sup>401</sup>   | Not eligible. <sup>402</sup> |

<sup>1</sup> VAWA self-petitioner for public benefits purposes includes: VAWA self-petitioners, battered spouse waiver applicants, applicants for relief under VAWA Cuban Adjustment Act (“VAWA CAA”), VAWA Haitian Refugee Immigration and Fairness Act (“VAWA HRIFA”), VAWA Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act (“VAWA NACARA”), VAWA cancellation of removal, VAWA suspension of deportation, and battered spouses and children with approved I-130 visa applications filed by their abusive citizen spouse, parent or step-parent. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(51).

<sup>2</sup> *See* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4) (Asylees, Refugees and trafficking victims and family members of trafficking victims with T visa status or a pending T visa application setting forth a “prima facie” (bona facie) case for eligibility); Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92279, 92304, 92307 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274) (Prima facie/bona fide determinations on T visa applications are made by the Department of Homeland Security.).

<sup>3</sup> Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act, Pub. L. 117-43, 135 Stat. 344, 377 (2021) (Afghans granted humanitarian parole between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2023 — and their spouses and children, and parents or guardians of unaccompanied children granted parole after September 30, 2022 — also are eligible for federal benefits to the same extent as refugees. Eligibility for this group continues until March 31, 2023, or the end of their parole term, whichever is later.). See OFF. OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH AND HUM. SERV., *Fact Sheet: Benefits for Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) Holders or SQ/SI Parolees* <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/fact-sheet/benefits-afghan-and-iraqi-special-immigrant-visa-siv-holders-or-sq/si-parolees> (last visited November 29, 2023) (Iraqi and Afghan special immigrant visa holders (SIV) and special immigrant parolees (who have applied for SIV status) are eligible for federal benefits to the same extent as refugees.) See also *The Administration for Children and Families Office of Refugee Resettlement Policy Letters on Public Benefits for Afghan Refugees* (November 29, 2023) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/orr-policy-letters-afghan-refugees> (Contains HHS Policy Letters and Fact Sheets regarding Afghan Refugees).

<sup>4</sup> *Department of Homeland Security, President Biden to Announce Uniting For Ukraine, a New Streamlined Process to Welcome Ukrainians Fleeing the Russian Invasion of Ukraine*, DEP'T OF HOMELAND SEC. (April 21, 2022) <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2022/04/21/president-biden-announce-uniting-ukraine-new-streamlined-process-welcome-ukrainians> (Ukrainians paroled into the U.S. between February 24, 2022, and September 30, 2023 – and their spouses and children, and parents, guardians or primary caregivers of unaccompanied children paroled into the U.S. after September 30, 2023 – are eligible for federal benefits to the same extent as refugees.); See *The Administration for Children and Families Office of Refugee Resettlement Policy Letters on Public Benefits for Ukrainian Refugees* (November 29, 2023) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/orr-policy-letters-ukrainian-refugees> (Contains HHS Policy Letters and Fact Sheets regarding Ukrainian Refugees).

<sup>5</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1) (Bona fide T visa applicants with HHS certification, trafficking victims under 18 with HHS eligibility determination, and family members with T visa status are eligible for public benefits to the same extent as refugees.); Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92278 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274); New Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 67 Fed. Reg. 4784, 4789-91 (Jan. 31, 2002) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pt. 103), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/federal-register-new-classification/>.

<sup>6</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(E)(i)(II)(bb) (Immigrants with HHS certification that their continued presence is needed to effectuate prosecution of human traffickers are eligible to receive public benefits to the same extent as refugees.); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>.

<sup>7</sup> See *DACA*, NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR. (last visited Mar. 2, 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/> (DACA is “deferred action” for certain undocumented youth who came to the United States as children.).

<sup>8</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(27)(j) (Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) allows certain youth immigrant survivors of abuse, abandonment, and/or neglect by a parent to obtain legal immigration status.).

<sup>9</sup> See CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR “LAWFULLY RESIDING” CHILDREN AND PREGNANT PERSONS 2 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/> (Upon receipt of deferred action U visa applicants are considered lawfully present.). U visa applicants receive deferred action which provides formal protection from deportation when they receive a bona fide determination or wait-list approval from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). See, NIWAP, *New DHS U Visa Bona Fide Policy Provides Earlier Access Deferred Action and Work Authorization To Applicants and NIWAP New Study Provides Evidence-Based Support for These New DHS Policies* (June 14, 2021) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/transforming-lives-study-21>.

<sup>10</sup> State benefits agencies are only allowed to ask for immigration status and social security number information for the family members who is the applicant for the benefit. See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR, *Privacy Protections in Selected Federal Benefits Programs* (Feb. 21, 2018) <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/privacy-protections-fed-programs-tbl-2018.pdf> (providing guidelines on what information a State may request from a parent applying on behalf of a child applicant); see also Anna Pohl, Hema Sarangapani, Amanda Baran, and Cecilia Olavarria, *Chapter 4.3: Barriers to Accessing Services: The Importance of Advocates Accompanying Battered Immigrants Applying for Public Benefits* (Jul. 10, 2013), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch4-3-importance-advocates>; see also *Policy Guidance Regarding Inquiries Into Citizenship, Immigration Status and Social Security Numbers In State Applications For Medicaid, State Children's Health Insurance Program (Schip), Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (Tanf), and Food Stamp Benefits*, U.S. DEP'T HEALTH & HUM. SERV. (Mar. 24, 2006), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhsqacitizenshippolicyguidance-03-24-06>.

<sup>11</sup> Battered Spouse Waiver victims are VAWA self-petitioners as defined in INA § 101(a)(51). To be eligible for a battered spouse waiver the victim must be a battered immigrant spouse of a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident who filed an immigration case on the battered spouse's behalf through which the immigrant spouse was granted conditional permanent residency. Most battered spouse waiver applicants will have conditional permanent residency at the time they file their battered spouse waiver application. Their public benefits eligibility is based either on their conditional permanent residency or on their battered spouse waiver application. It is important to note that after an abused immigrant spouse files their battered spouse waiver application, they become eligible for VAWA self-petitioning related deeming exceptions and eligible for state funded public benefits to the same extent as all other VAWA self-petitioners in states that grant self-petitioners access to state funded public benefits.

<sup>12</sup> State benefits agencies are only allowed to ask for immigration status and social security number information for the family members who is the applicant for the benefit. See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR, *Privacy Protections in Selected Federal Benefits Programs* (Feb. 21, 2018) <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/privacy-protections-fed-programs-tbl-2018.pdf> (providing guidelines on what information a State may request from a parent applying on behalf of a child applicant); see also Anna Pohl, Hema Sarangapani, Amanda Baran, and Cecilia Olavarria, *Chapter 4.3: Barriers to Accessing Services: The Importance of Advocates Accompanying Battered Immigrants Applying for Public Benefits* (Jul. 10, 2013), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch4-3-importance-advocates>; see also *Policy Guidance Regarding Inquiries Into Citizenship, Immigration Status and Social Security Numbers In State Applications For Medicaid, State Children's Health Insurance Program (Schip), Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (Tanf), and Food Stamp Benefits*, U.S. DEP'T HEALTH & HUM. SERV. (Mar. 24, 2006), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhsqacitizenshippolicyguidance-03-24-06>.

<sup>13</sup> 8 U.S.C. 1631(f) (Qualified immigrants who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a spouse, a parent or a member of the spouse's or parent's family are exempt from deeming for 12 months. The exemption from deeming may be extended if the battered immigrant obtains an order from a judge or a ruling from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security recognizing the battering or extreme cruelty the immigrant victim suffered.) (Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Att'y Gen. Order No. 2129-97, 62 Fed. Reg. 61,344, at 61,371 (Nov. 17, 1997)), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/1997-doj-interim-guidance-benefits/>. See Catherine Longville and Leslye Orloff, *Public Benefits: What is "Deeming" and What Are its Exceptions*, (January 13, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/deeming-fact-sheet/>. *Applicability of Public Charge and Deeming Rules to Immigrant Survivors and Their Children Eligible for Healthcare Subsidies*, in NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (April 9, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/public-charge-deeming/>

<sup>14</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>15</sup> 8 U.S.C. 1631(f) (Qualified immigrants who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a spouse, a parent or a member of the spouse's or parent's family are exempt from deeming for 12 months. The exemption from deeming may be extended if the battered immigrant obtains an order from a judge or a ruling from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security recognizing the battering or extreme cruelty the immigrant victim suffered.) (Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Att'y Gen. Order No. 2129-97, 62 Fed. Reg. 61,344, at 61,371 (Nov. 17, 1997)), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/1997-doj-interim-guidance-benefits/>. See Catherine Longville and Leslye Orloff, *Public Benefits: What is "Deeming" and What Are its Exceptions*, (January 13, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/deeming-fact-sheet/>. *Applicability of Public Charge and Deeming Rules to Immigrant Survivors and Their Children Eligible for Healthcare Subsidies*, in NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (April 9, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/public-charge-deeming/>

<sup>16</sup> DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, Q & A: Immigrants* (August 20, 2019), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/faq/q-immigrants>. (Q2: Does the five-year bar for certain newly arrived qualified aliens apply to all federally-funded TANF benefits (e.g., including benefits that do not meet the definition of assistance)? "A service that is only available to the financially needy would not meet the AG criteria and could be provided only to otherwise eligible citizens and qualified aliens." TANF is such a program.)

<sup>17</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 149.23; NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 8: State Funded TANF Replacement Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 102-03 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Apr. 2020), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/guide\\_tanf/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/guide_tanf/).

<sup>18</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A)(ii); 1613(b)(1). Federal eligibility for refugees and asylees extends for the first five years after attaining that status. However, if they have attained lawful permanent resident status with 40 qualifying work quarters, they will already have satisfied the five-year bar for eligibility as an LPR by the time their refugee/asylee benefit period for TANF ends. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be eligible as a veteran and/or member of a veteran's family, for which neither the five-year bar nor the five-year time limit applies. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). Or, in some states their eligibility as a refugee or asylee continues past this five-year limit. *States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated five year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends.* See Nat'l Immigration Law Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. See OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor's Income and Resources to A Non-Citizen)* (April 17, 2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>.

<sup>19</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1); *Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for "T" Nonimmigrant Status*, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92278 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274); *New Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for "T" Nonimmigrant Status*, 67 Fed. Reg. 4784, 4789-91 (Jan. 31, 2002) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pt. 103), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/federal-register-new-classification/>. TANF benefits for refugees are available without a five-year waiting period, but are limited to five years. However, if the refugee attains lawful permanent resident status with 40 qualifying work quarters, they will already have satisfied the five-year bar for eligibility as a lawful permanent resident by the time their refugee/asylee benefit period for TANF ends. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be eligible as a veteran and/or member of a veteran's family, for which neither the five-year bar nor the five-year time limit applies. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). Or, in some states their eligibility as a refugee or asylee continues past this five-year limit. See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. See OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor's Income and Resources to A Non-Citizen)* (April 17, 2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>.

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- <sup>39</sup> *Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, Q & A: Immigrants*, DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV (August 20, 2019), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/faq/q-immigrants..> (Q2: Does the five-year bar for certain newly arrived qualified aliens apply to all federally-funded TANF benefits (e.g., including benefits that do not meet the definition of assistance)? "A service that is only available to the financially needy would not meet the AG criteria and could be provided only to otherwise eligible citizens and qualified aliens." TANF is such a program.)
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- <sup>57</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A)(ii); Eligibility is based on the citizenship or immigration status of the child. The immigration status of the child's parent or parents is not relevant to this determination. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Verification of Citizenship and Immigration Status by Non-Profit Organizations and Head Start Grantees, in OFFICE OF CHILD CARE (May 2, 2008), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/pi-2008-01>. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).
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- <sup>59</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).
- <sup>60</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 3041.47; Benish Anver & Leslye E. Orloff, *Immigrant Crime Victim Child Care Access*, NAT'L IMMIGRATION WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Mar. 13, 2013), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-chart-childcare/>.
- <sup>61</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).
- <sup>62</sup> See FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (2017), <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/eligibility> (As with most public benefits, to obtain food stamps, individuals must also meet resource, income, and employment requirements. There is a pre-screening tool to determine if an individual might be eligible for nutrition assistance.); See also *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (In general, non-citizens who have lived in the U.S. for 5 years or more, are blind or disabled, are under the age of 18, were admitted for lawful permanent residence with 40 qualifying quarters or are lawfully residing and are on active duty in the U.S. Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard or honorably discharged are eligible.)
- <sup>63</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018); See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); See also 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(1)-1612(a)(2). Battered immigrants are not subject to deeming for at least 12 months, with the possibility of extension. See *Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31, available at <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/eligibility/non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Apr. 29, 2023)
- <sup>64</sup> *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 4, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019).

- <sup>65</sup> See 8 USC § 1612(a)(2)(A) and (L). Directly eligible for SNAP as refugees and asylees for seven years. However, they retain eligibility past the seven years since they will have transitioned into qualified immigrant status, with indefinite eligibility for SNAP, after five years. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). See also Nat'l Immigration Law Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). See also *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019). [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf)
- <sup>66</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4); NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>67</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (1). Eligible to the same extent as refugees. (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)). NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>68</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018);. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).
- <sup>69</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%28%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).
- <sup>70</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b). Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification). See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>71</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>72</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>73</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). Five-year residency includes time in qualified status prior to turning 18. When SIJS children become qualified immigrants, they may be exempt from deeming when they naturalize, or if they can show they are credited with 40 qualifying quarters of work, or if they are eligible for a 12 month exception for indigence, or have another form of immigration status does not require sponsorship. 8 U.S.C. § 1631; *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31-33, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019).
- <sup>74</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Although eligibility based on 40 work quarters includes work performed by applicant, spouse, and parents while the applicant was under 18, SIJS youth are generally not able to satisfy this condition.)
- <sup>75</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). May be subject to deeming.
- <sup>76</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in *GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS* 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).
- <sup>77</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Eligible children are exempt from sponsor deeming.)
- <sup>78</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Five-year residency includes time in qualified status prior to turning 18.) May be subject to deeming.
- <sup>79</sup> See *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Although eligibility based on 40 work quarters includes work performed by applicant, spouse, and parents while the applicant was under 18, SIJS youth are generally not able to satisfy this condition.)
- <sup>80</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Born on or before August 22, 1931 and lawfully resided in the U.S. on August 22, 1996.) May be subject to deeming.

- <sup>81</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). May be subject to deeming.
- <sup>82</sup> 42 U.S.C.S. § 1786; *Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/women-infants-and-children-wic> (last visited June 14, 2018).
- <sup>83</sup> *WIC Eligibility Requirements*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-eligibility-requirements> (last visited June 14, 2018).
- <sup>84</sup> *WIC Eligibility Requirements*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-eligibility-requirements> (last visited June 14, 2018).
- <sup>85</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 2955; *Find WIC Clinics*, PA WIC, <https://www.pawic.com/FindWICClinics.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018).
- <sup>86</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 2955; *Who is Eligible for WIC*, PA WIC, <https://www.pawic.com/#> (last visited June 20 2018).
- <sup>87</sup> Under the Affordable Care Act, in “mixed status” households, each family member may have different eligibility for exchanges and subsidies. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT & MIXED-STATUS FAMILIES (rev. 2014), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/FAQ-ACA-and-mixed-status-families-2014-12-1.pdf>.
- <sup>88</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); HealthCare.gov, Immigrants, Immigration status and the Marketplace (last visited November 29, 2023) (Listing immigrants with which immigration statuses are legally able to use the Marketplace); See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.
- <sup>89</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); HealthCare.gov, Immigrants, Immigration status and the Marketplace (last visited November 29, 2023) (Listing immigrants with which immigration statuses are legally able to use the Marketplace); See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.
- <sup>90</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).
- <sup>91</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 2 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2).
- <sup>92</sup> Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR “LAWFULLY RESIDING” CHILDREN AND PREGNANT PERSONS 3 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(3); 45 C.F.R. § 152.2(5) (2017) (“A pending applicant for asylum under section 208(a) of the INA (8 U.S.C. § 1158) or for withholding of removal under section 241(b)(3) of the INA (8 U.S.C. § 1231) or under the Convention Against Torture who has been granted employment authorization, and such an applicant under the age of 14 who has had an application pending for at least 180 days.”).
- <sup>93</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).
- <sup>94</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).
- <sup>95</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).
- <sup>96</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).
- <sup>97</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 1, 1 n.4, 4-5 n.8 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf> (DACA recipients are the only deferred action recipients not eligible for insurance under the ACA.).
- <sup>98</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., “LAWFULLY PRESENT” INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.
- <sup>99</sup> U visa bona fide determinations come with deferred action which is protection from deportation and which makes U visa applicants eligible for health care as lawfully residing immigrant. Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR “LAWFULLY RESIDING” CHILDREN AND PREGNANT PERSONS 3 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>.
- <sup>100</sup> Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR “LAWFULLY RESIDING” CHILDREN AND PREGNANT PERSONS 3 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>; Carly Erickson & Leslye E. Orloff, *U-Visa Victim Benefits under the Affordable Care Act (ACA)*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (June 18, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/u-visa-healthcare-aca/>.



<sup>101</sup> Carly Erickson & Leslye E. Orloff, *U-Visa Victim Benefits under the Affordable Care Act (ACA)*, NAT'L IMMGR. WOMEN'S ADVOC. PROJECT (June 18, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/u-visa-healthcare-aca/>; NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5-6 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.

<sup>102</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 1 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf> (DACA coverage limited to those "lawfully present" in the United States).

<sup>103</sup> Footnotes in this section contain additional details on health care subsidies, including co-pays that may be required. They contain further state by state information on health care access for immigrant survivors of domestic and sexual violence. See MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS, LLP *Chapter 17.1: Emergency Medicaid – Urgent Medical Services for Immigrant Crime Victims and Children*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (December 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-1-emergencymedicaid>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.2: Coverage for Forensic Costs for Immigrant Crime Victims: Medical Coverage and Services* (February 12, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-2-forensiccoverageimmvictims>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.3: Post-Assault Healthcare and Crime Victim Compensation for Immigrant Victims of Violence* (June 13, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-3-postassault-healthcare-compensation>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.4: Pre-Natal and Child Health Care For Immigrant Victims and Their Children* (February 17, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-4-prenatal-care>.

<sup>104</sup> 42 C.R.F. § 435.406(2)(i); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>105</sup> Health Care.gov, *Immigrants, Coverage for U.S. Citizens and U.S. Nationals* (last visited November 29, 2023) <https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/>. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>106</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27 (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

<sup>107</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A); 1613. Federal eligibility for Medicaid for refugees and asylees extends for the first seven years after attaining that status; however, in most states their eligibility can continue past this seven-year limitation, since by seven years they may have become lawful permanent residents with 40 qualifying quarters of work credit and will have satisfied the five-year bar to access to Medicaid. See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be a veteran and/or a member of a veteran's family, for whom the five-year bar and seven-year limit do not apply. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven-year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See also Nat'l Immigration Law Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven-year limitation.

<sup>108</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1). Human trafficking victims with HHS certification or an HHS determination letter are eligible as refugees for 7 years. To continue to receive benefits once 7 years has passed since they received their HHS certification or HHS determination letter, they will need to file for and be granted a T visa. This allows them to continue to qualify for public benefits as qualified immigrants. So long as the trafficking victim files for a T visa soon after receiving HHS certification or determination, they should gain qualified immigrant status and the 5-year bar will be completed prior to reaching the 7-year limit on refugee benefits. States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven-year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See also Nat'l Immigration Law Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven-year limitation.

<sup>109</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>110</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27 (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

<sup>111</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)). See also 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4). Human trafficking victims with HHS certification or an HHS determination letter are eligible as refugees for 7 years. To continue to receive benefits once 7 years has passed, since they received their HHS certification or HHS determination letter, they will need to file for and be granted a T visa. This allows them to continue to qualify for public benefits as qualified immigrants. So long as the trafficking victim files for a T visa soon after receiving HHS certification or determination, they should gain qualified immigrant status and the 5-year bar will be completed prior to reaching the 7-year limit on refugee benefits.

<sup>112</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>113</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1). Bona fide T visa applicants with HHS certification, trafficking victims under 18 with HHS eligibility determination, and family members with T visa status are eligible for public benefits to the same extent as refugees. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>114</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27* (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

<sup>115</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>116</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>117</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27* (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

<sup>118</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1). NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>119</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

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<sup>121</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27* (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

<sup>122</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>123</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>124</sup> Footnotes in this section contain additional details on health care subsidies including co-pays that may be required. They contain further state by state information on health care access for immigrant survivors of domestic and sexual violence. See MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS, LLP *Chapter 17.1: Emergency Medicaid – Urgent Medical Services for Immigrant Crime Victims and Children*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (December 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-1-emergencymedicaid>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.2: Coverage for Forensic Costs for Immigrant Crime Victims: Medical Coverage and Services* (February 12, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-2-forensiccoverageimmvictims>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.3: Post-Assault Healthcare and Crime Victim Compensation for Immigrant Victims of Violence* (June 13, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-3-postassault-healthcare-compensation>; see *id.* *Chapter 17.4: Pre-Natal and Child Health Care For Immigrant Victims and Their Children* (February 17, 2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-4-prenatal-care>.

<sup>125</sup> 42 C.R.F. § 435.406(2)(i); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>126</sup> *Immigrants, Coverage for U.S. Citizens and U.S. Nationals*, HEALTHCARE.GOV (last visited November 29, 2023) <https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/>. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>127</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>128</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27* (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

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<sup>131</sup> *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>132</sup> 55 Pa. Code § 150.1; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 122-23, 126-27 (4th ed. 2002, table rev. Jan. 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>.

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<sup>143</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20, footnote 7 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>144</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

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<sup>148</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).



<sup>149</sup>Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) compensation for crime victims is a program providing services necessary to protect health and safety of crime victims that helps victims heal and overcome the emotional and financial impact of crime victimization on their lives. VOCA compensation is separate from and does not fall within the definitions of “federal public benefit” or “state public benefit” under U.S. public benefits laws and thus is open to all crime victims without regard to immigration status. *See*, Joye E. Frost, Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice, Letter to Cassie T Jones Alabama Crime Victims’ Compensation Commission (July 2, 2010) available at <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ojp-ovc-letter-on-access-to-voca-victim-compensation-7-2-2010>; For an overview of what types of victim compensation are covered by VOCA compensation programs in each state *see*, Leslye Orloff, Katelyn Deibler and Annie Roebuck, *Post-Assault Healthcare and Victims of Crime Act Coverage for Domestic and Sexual Violence Victims* (July 18, 2018) available at: <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/post-assault-coverage-chart>; and : Sarah Andrews, Vanessa Brown, Aurora de Heer, Joseph Leonard, Ryan Lighty, Katherine O’Keefe, Celia Soehner, William Springer, Josh Sterling, Linda Way-Smith, Beau Yanoshik, Morgan Lewis and Bockius, LLP and NIWAP, *Post-Assault Healthcare and Crime Victim Compensation for Immigrant Victims of Violence – Medical Coverage and Services for Immigrants* (July 13, 2018) available at <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-3-postassault-healthcare-compensation> (contains a more detailed discussion of VOCA compensation available in each state with links and citations).

<sup>150</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF LABOR, WAGE & HOUR DIVISION, *Family Medical Leave Act*, available at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/fmla> (last visited September 1, 2022) (Provides up-to-date guidance, fact sheets, forms, interpretive guidance, laws, regulations and training tools).

<sup>151</sup> *See generally* OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 (2016),

<https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf> (The information in this section applies to all student financial aid including grants and loans.).

<sup>152</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>; Daniel T. Madzellan, OFFICE OF POST-SECONDARY EDUC., U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., ELIGIBILITY FOR TITLE IV AID FOR "BATTERED IMMIGRANTS-QUALIFIED ALIENS" AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (2007), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-memovawapetitionsgrantsloans-6-4-10/>. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-33, 1-34 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>153</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2022-2023 (2022), <https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center/fsa-handbook/2022-2023/vol1/ch2-us-citizenship-eligible-noncitizens> (Naturalized citizens are eligible for financial aid).

<sup>154</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>. *See* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-29 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>155</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>. *See* 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-33 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>156</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>.

<sup>157</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

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<sup>158</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018),

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>159</sup> *Plyler v. Doe* 457 U.S. 202 (1982); U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, STUDENTS, IMMIGRATION STATUS, AND THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC EDUCATION (JUNE 20, 2021)

<https://blog.ed.gov/2021/07/students-immigration-status-and-the-right-to-public-education/>.

<sup>160</sup> 22 Pa. Code § 121.2; *See Toolkit: Access to Postsecondary Education*, NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR. (Oct. 2017),

<https://www.nilc.org/issues/education/eduaccess toolkit2a/#tables>.

<sup>161</sup> U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Memo: Undocumented Students Authorized to Enroll in Post-Secondary Educational Institutions (July 24, 2008)

<https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-dhsundocstudentpost2ndeduaccess-7-24-08>. This law applies to all states except those that have implemented state laws or policies that limit or deny enrollment in public colleges or universities which are Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina. (Current as of July 2021). *See*, NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Current State Laws and Policies on Access to Higher Education for Immigrants (July 2021)*

<https://www.nilc.org/issues/education/eduaccess toolkit/eduaccess toolkit2/#maps>.

<sup>162</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Current State Laws and Policies on Access to Higher Education for Immigrants* (July 2021)

<https://www.nilc.org/issues/education/eduaccess toolkit/eduaccess toolkit2/#maps>; NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Education* <https://www.nilc.org/issues/education/>.

<sup>163</sup> *See* Off. of the Bursar, Penn State Univ., *Pennsylvania State University, Residency Classification for Tuition Purposes*, PENN STATE UNIV.

<https://www.bursar.psu.edu/residency-policy>; *See generally*, Higher Ed Immigr. Portal, *Pennsylvania*, Higher Ed Immigr. Portal (last visited March 19, 2024)

<https://www.higheredimmigrationportal.org/state/pennsylvania/>.

<sup>164</sup> SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., UNDERSTANDING SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME SSI ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS – 2017 EDITION (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm> (While the chart shows eligibility to apply for SSI benefits by immigration status, those with qualified immigration statuses must also meet all other eligibility requirements. To obtain SSI benefits individuals must be aged 65 or over, blind, or disabled; and have limited income, limited resources, be a resident of one of the 50 states, DC, or Northern Mariana Islands, and not be absent from the country for a full calendar month, in addition to other requirements.).

<sup>165</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(c) (battered immigrant).

<sup>166</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>167</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>168</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (Due to the work requirement, few SIJS children will qualify, although work done by the applicant, parent or spouse counts toward the 40 quarters of work.).

<sup>169</sup> SOC. SEC. ADMIN., *Understanding Supplemental Security Income SSI, Eligibility Requirements – 2023 Edition, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Eligibility Requirements*, <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm> (last visited November 29, 2023).

<sup>170</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). For some Federal programs such as SSI, a general bar applies where qualified immigrants are ineligible, unless they have attained LPR status with 40 qualifying quarters and satisfy the five-year bar, have a specified military connection, or fall within other limited exceptions. See 8 U.S.C. 1612(a)(2). For refugees and asylees, this bar does not apply until seven years after the date that they are admitted to refugee or asylee status; however, § 1612(b)(2) lists exceptions that independently lift the bar after seven years.

<sup>171</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>172</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1). T visa holders, bona fide T visa applicants with HHS certification, trafficking victims under 18 with HHS eligibility determination, and family members with T visa status are eligible for public benefits to the same extent as refugees. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(1)-(2); 1613. Federal eligibility for refugees and asylees extends for the first seven years after attaining that status. However, § 1612(b)(2) lists exceptions that independently lift the seven year limit; including, if they have attained LPR status with 40 qualifying quarters, are a veteran, and/or a member of a veteran's family. See § 1641(b)(2)-(3). States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven year limitation. NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>.

<sup>173</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(c)(4) (trafficking victims).

<sup>174</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>175</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>176</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b); See NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>.

<sup>177</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>178</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (Due to the work requirement, few SIJS children will qualify, although work done by the applicant, parent or spouse counts toward the 40 quarters of work.).

<sup>179</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>180</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in* GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(B) (LPR eligibility for SSI), 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(b)(1) (LPR qualified immigrant status).

<sup>181</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>182</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>183</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>184</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT, ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF DOCUMENTATION AND IDENTIFICATION FOR STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE/IDENTIFICATION CARD (SEPTEMBER 5, 2014) 1 (2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/drivers-license-access/>.

<sup>185</sup> REAL ID Act of 2005, 49 U.S.C. § 30301 Note (2005). See also 6 C.F.R. § 37.11 (g) (2012); Joan Friedland, *Updates on REAL ID and Increased Information Sharing by Departments of Motor Vehicles*, NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., (Jan. 8, 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/news/the-torch/1-04-18/>.

<sup>186</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(g)(1) (2012).

<sup>187</sup> See *SAVE CaseCheck*, U.S. CITIZENSHIP & IMMGR. SERVS., <https://www.uscis.gov/save/casecheck> (last visited July 9, 2018). For special rules and step-by-step instructions for SAVE verification in cases of VAWA self-petitioners, see PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/> and Benish Anver, Alexandra Brown and Leslye E. Orloff, HOW TO ADVOCATE FOR PUBLIC AND ASSISTED HOUSING FOR YOUR BATTERED IMMIGRANT OR TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR CLIENT (2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pub-asst-housing-advocacy>.

<sup>188</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(g)(2) (2012); Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR "LAWFULLY RESIDING" CHILDREN AND PREGNANT PERSONS 2 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/> (For example, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has identified categories of lawfully present immigrants for purposes of Medicaid and CHIP eligibility. These individuals should be able to access full Real ID compliant driver's licenses without waiting for work authorization. This may be an area for advocacy in individual cases).

<sup>189</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(h) (2012); NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., THE REAL ID ACT: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS 8-9 (2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/REAL-ID-Act-Q-and-A.pdf>.

<sup>190</sup> 75 Pa.C.S.A. PA ST § 1510; *Identity-Residency Proof, Non-U.S. Citizens*, Pa. DEP'T OF TRANSPORTATION, <http://www.dmv.pa.gov/Driver-Services/Driver-Licensing/Pages/Proof-and-Documentation-Needed.aspx> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>191</sup> PA DEP'T OF TRANSP., *Fact Sheet: Identification and Legal Presence Requirements for Non-United States Citizens*, <http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Publications/pub%20195nc.pdf>.

<sup>192</sup> PA DEP'T OF TRANSP., *Fact Sheet: Identification and Legal Presence Requirements for Non-United States Citizens*, <http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Publications/pub%20195nc.pdf>.

<sup>193</sup> VAWA self-petitioners receive employment authorization once their case has been approved. Trafficking victims receive legal work authorization based on HHS certification for victims with continued presence and for T visa applicants with bona fide determinations. U visa applicants will receive work authorization after their case has been wait-list approved based on deferred action. Asylum applicants become eligible for work authorization approximately 6 months after filing for asylum. DACA recipients receive work authorization based on deferred action and SIJS children receive work authorization once they are granted lawful permanent residency. Once an immigrant receives legal work authorization from DHS they can apply for and receive a Social Security Number.

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<sup>195</sup> PENN. BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS, *Rule 2020 Admission to the Bar* (Effective date Jan. 12, 2022) (Authorizes DACA students for admission to the Pennsylvania Bar.)

<sup>196</sup> U.S. Dep't of Justice, Dep't of Health & Human Servs. & Dep't of Hous. & Human Dev., Joint Letter on Immigrant Access to Shelter and Transitional Housing (Aug. 5, 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/joint-letter-hud-hhs-ad-doj-immigrant-access-shelter-transitional-housing-aug-2016/> (stating that services must be in-kind, available regardless of income, and provided at the community level). See 8 U.S.C. § 1611(b)(1)(D).

<sup>197</sup> CATHERINE LONGVILLE & LESLYE E. ORLOFF, PROGRAMS OPEN TO IMMIGRANT VICTIMS AND TO ALL IMMIGRANTS WITHOUT REGARD TO IMMIGRATION STATUS 1 (2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/programs-open-to-all-immigrants/>; *Three Federal Agencies Issue Joint Letter on Shelters and Transitional Housing*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Aug. 12, 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/joint-agency-letter-shelters-transitional-housing/>.

<sup>198</sup> *Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)*, PA DEP'T OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/emergency-solutions-grant-esg/> (last visited Sept. 4, 2022).



<sup>199</sup> *Homeless Assistance Program*, PA DEP'T HUM. SERVS., <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/homelessassistance/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>200</sup> Immigrants including victims who are lawfully residing in the United States or its territories and possessions under section 141 of the Compacts of Free Association between the U.S. and the Governments of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau are eligible for public and assisted housing. HUD PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING, *Eligibility Determination and Denial of Assistance*, Citizenship Status 10 (November 2019) available at:

[https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/HCV\\_Guidebook\\_Eligibility\\_Determination\\_and\\_Denial\\_of\\_Assistance.pdf](https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/HCV_Guidebook_Eligibility_Determination_and_Denial_of_Assistance.pdf) (last visited Aug. 27, 2022) (However in Guam, such immigrants are not entitled to a preference in receiving housing assistance over a U.S. citizen or national resident who is otherwise eligible for such assistance).

<sup>201</sup> See generally *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR:

“IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/) (contains lists of housing programs that are unrestricted and lists of housing programs that various forms of immigration restrictions).

<sup>202</sup> For detailed information about Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) funding housing eligibility and how to find LIHTC funded units in communities across the country see, VAWA Home: Rights for Survivors in LIHTC <https://www.vawahome.com/> (last visited February 10, 2022).

<sup>203</sup> HUD public and assisted housing refers to HUD assisted housing covered by Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. § 1436a. See *Housing Act. Section 2.14, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT*, <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/housing-act-sec-214/> (last visited Mar. 9, 2018); DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/>; TONYA ROBINSON, ACTING GENERAL COUNSEL, C., U.S. DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY JULIAN CASTRO ON ELIGIBILITY OF BATTERED NONCITIZEN SELF-PETITIONERS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 214 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1980 (2016), <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/Eligibility-of-VAWA-Self-Petitioners-2016-12-14.pdf>; U.S. DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., HUD HANDBOOK 4350.3: OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSIDIZED MULTIFAMILY HOUSING PROGRAMS at Appendix 2-B (2013), <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/43503HSGH.PDF> (instructions for verifying battered immigrant eligibility for multi-family programs) (referring to the *Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status, and Eligibility* Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 62 FR 61344 at Exhibit B to Attachment 5 (Nov. 17, 1997)). See also 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>204</sup> USDA RURAL HOUSING SERVICE, Interim Rule, *Reinvention of the Sections 514, 515, 516 and 521 Multi-Family Housing Programs*, 69 Fed. Reg. 69032 (Nov. 26, 2004) (to be codified at 7 C.F.R. pt. 1806, 1822, 1902, 1925 (“Appendix 2 to the HUD Handbook 4350.3 is incorporated into internal Agency procedures.”)); USDA RURAL HOUSING SERVICE, Interim Final Rule, *Reinvention of the Sections 514, 515, 516 and 521 Multi-Family Housing Programs*, 70 Fed. Reg. 8503 (Feb. 22, 2005) (to be codified at 7 C.F.R. 3560) (deciding “to delay implementation of the sections listed below in order to harmonize its procedures with HUD under 42 U.S.C. 1436a”); DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., HUD HANDBOOK 4350.3: OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSIDIZED MULTIFAMILY HOUSING PROGRAMS at Appendix 2-B (2013), <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/43503HSGH.PDF> (instructions on verifying battered immigrant eligibility for HUD multi-family programs) (referring to the *Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status, and Eligibility* Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 62 FR 61344 at Exhibit B to Attachment 5) (Nov. 17, 1997); DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/>; MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY JULIAN CASTRO ON ELIGIBILITY OF BATTERED NONCITIZEN SELF-PETITIONERS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 214 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1980 (2016), <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/Eligibility-of-VAWA-Self-Petitioners-2016-12-14.pdf>. See also 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>205</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>206</sup> *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/) (stating that Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident). See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (including immediate family member).

<sup>207</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.158(d); USDA MFH ASSET MANAGEMENT HANDBOOK HB 2-3650, § 6.30(D) (stating that a remaining family member who is a co-tenant or member of the household, who has the legal capacity to sign the lease, and is a U.S. citizen or qualified immigrant, may remain in the housing after the original tenant has departed); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/); see also 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(c).

<sup>208</sup> 42 U.S.C. § 1436a(a)(1).

<sup>209</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/) (“Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident.”).

<sup>210</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>211</sup> 24 C.F.R. § 5.506(a)(1).

<sup>212</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/) (“Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident.”).

<sup>213</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>214</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, including VAWA self-petitioners, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. See, DEP’T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/>.

<sup>215</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4).

<sup>216</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>217</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); see also 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>218</sup> *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/) (stating that Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident). See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (including immediate family member).

<sup>219</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.158(d); USDA MFH ASSET MANAGEMENT HANDBOOK HB 2-3650, § 6.30(D) (stating that a remaining family member who is a co-tenant or member of the household, who has the legal capacity to sign the lease, and is a U.S. citizen or qualified immigrant, may remain in the housing after the original tenant has departed); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/); see also 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4).

<sup>220</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing).

<sup>221</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved.

<sup>222</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>223</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>.

<sup>224</sup> See OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>; 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(B) (requirement to expand benefits and services); see also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b); 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (Section 515 Rural Housing); 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a) (Section 521 housing assistance); 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing). *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>225</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use

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<sup>226</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>227</sup> May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from other unrestricted programs. See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (2012).

<sup>228</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. DACA applicants will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>229</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>230</sup> May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs. See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (2012).

<sup>231</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>232</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>233</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a) (2011) (Section 521 rental assistance); 42 U.S.C. §§ 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (2010) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011) (Section 515 Rural Rental Housing).

<sup>234</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (2012).

<sup>235</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. SIJS applicants and recipients prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>236</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>237</sup> May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs. See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (2012).

<sup>238</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>239</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Oct. 2011), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/).

<sup>240</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a) (2011) (Section 521 rental assistance); 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (2010) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011) (Section 515 Rural Rental Housing).

<sup>241</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (2012).

<sup>242</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. Prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency U visa applicants approved will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>243</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>244</sup> May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs. See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (2012).



<sup>245</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants including U visa applicants upon receipt of lawful permanent residency, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. Prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency U visa applicants approved will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>246</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (2011); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

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<sup>248</sup> See *Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, PA HOUS. FIN. AGENCY, <https://www.phfa.org/mhp/developers/lihtc.aspx> (last visited June 20, 2018). The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency allocates the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigrant restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved.

<sup>249</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 24; U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 972, CHILD TAX CREDIT, at 3 (2017).

<sup>250</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 24(f); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 972, CHILD TAX CREDIT, at 2 (2017).

<sup>251</sup> See <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/individual-taxpayer-identification-number> (IRS ITIN Information Page).

<sup>252</sup> 26 U.S.C.A § 21(b); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 1, 3 (2017).

<sup>253</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 3 (2017).

<sup>254</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 2 (2017).

<sup>255</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., WHO QUALIFIES FOR THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC) (Jul.10, 2023), <https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/earned-income-tax-credit/who-qualifies-for-the-earned-income-tax-credit-eitc>.

<sup>256</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); see also 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); see also U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).

<sup>257</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>258</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).

<sup>259</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>260</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); see also 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); see also U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).

<sup>261</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>262</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).

<sup>263</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>264</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); see also 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); see also U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).

<sup>265</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>266</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).

<sup>267</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>268</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); see also 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); see also U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).

<sup>269</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>270</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).

<sup>271</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>272</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); *see also* 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); *see also* U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).

<sup>273</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>274</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).

<sup>275</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>276</sup> 26 U.S.C.A § 32(c)(1)(D) (West 2018); *see also* 26 U.S.C.A § 6013(g) (West 2018).

<sup>277</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 4 (2018).

<sup>278</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).

<sup>279</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).

<sup>280</sup> *See* Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing Legal Services Corporation funded legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families).

<sup>281</sup> Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) (1996). The definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations. *See* 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (1996) (victim); 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (1996) (parent of victim); Leslye E. Orloff, Brittnay Roberts & Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Sept. 12, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/extreme-cruelty-examples-protection-order/>. *Compare* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) (1997) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi) (2012).

<sup>282</sup> The abuse may have occurred either inside or outside of the U.S. *See* RONALD S. FLAGG, GENERAL COUNSEL & VICE PRESIDENT FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION, PROGRAM LETTER 14-3: ASSESSING ELIGIBILITY OF ALIENS UNDER 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1) (2014) (interpreting 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)).

<sup>283</sup> 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b) (“Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).”). *See also* Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>284</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>285</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b).

<sup>286</sup> Upon applying for 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b) or receiving lawful permanent residency 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a) victim switch eligibility tracks from anti-abuse (which includes a restriction that the legal assistance be related to the abuse 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4 to immigration related eligibility under for 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5 under which applicants are eligible of any legal assistance offered by the LSC funded agency. *See* Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>287</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a)

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<sup>288</sup> *Can LSC Grantees Represent Undocumented Immigrants?*, LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION, <https://www.lsc.gov/our-impact/publications/other-publications-and-reports/can-lsc-grantees-represent-undocumented> (last visited November 29, 2023) (LSC funded agencies can represent U.S. citizens which includes naturalized citizens).

<sup>289</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>290</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>291</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>292</sup> *See, e.g.*, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>293</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(c).

<sup>294</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (trafficking victim); 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4 (a)(1)(ii) (parent of trafficking victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k)(2) (A “victim of trafficking” under the anti-abuse regulation is a victim of any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS));

45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(2)(ii) (stating that to qualify for legal assistance by an LSC funded agency, the trafficking must have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1), and the trafficking victim must be present in the U.S. at the time of the application for legal assistance).

<sup>295</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2).

<sup>296</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>297</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>298</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>299</sup> *See, e.g.*, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>300</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(i)(A) (HHS certified victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii) (seeking certification); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(j) (“Victim of severe forms of trafficking” means any person described at 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(C), with the inclusion of those still seeking HHS certification.); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1) (stating that to qualify for legal assistance by an LSC funded agency, the victim must be present in the U.S. at the time of the application for legal assistance, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(2)(ii), and the trafficking must have occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law).

<sup>301</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(i)(B) (visa holder); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii) (visa applicant); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c) (stating that eligibility for legal assistance under these provisions does not require HHS certification, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii), although the trafficking must either have occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law).

<sup>302</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or



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<sup>303</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>304</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>305</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>306</sup> See 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (crime victim or family member eligible for U visa relief); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (parent of U visa eligible child); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(h) (definitions); 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(U)(i)(I)-(a)(15)(U)(iii) (stating that to qualify for a U visa, the victim must have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of one or more of the following, or any similar activity in violation of Federal, State, or local criminal law: rape; torture; trafficking; incest; domestic violence; sexual assault; abusive sexual contact; prostitution; sexual exploitation; stalking; female genital mutilation; being held hostage; peonage; involuntary servitude; slave trade; kidnapping; abduction; unlawful criminal restraint; false imprisonment; blackmail; extortion; manslaughter; murder; felonious assault; witness tampering; obstruction of justice; perjury; fraud in foreign labor contracting (as defined in section 1351 of title 18); or attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit any of the above mentioned crimes); Leslye E. Orloff, Brittany Roberts & Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Sept. 12, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/extreme-cruelty-examples-protection-order/> (suggesting the definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations). Compare 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi).

<sup>307</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim); 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (parent of victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k) (“Victim of sexual assault or trafficking” means a victim of sexual assault subjected to any conduct included in the definition of sexual assault in VAWA, 42 U.S.C. 13925(a)(29), or a victim of trafficking subjected to any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.).

<sup>308</sup> The abuse must either have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law. See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

<sup>309</sup> Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery or cruelty and includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions). 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4 (b); see also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing Legal Services Corporation funded legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>310</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>312</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>313</sup> See, e.g. Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Dep't of Justice, OVW FY 2017 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program Solicitation (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>314</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) (“Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence.”). See Leslye E. Orloff, Brittnay Roberts & Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Sept. 12, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/extreme-cruelty-examples-protection-order/> (suggesting the definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations). Compare 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi).

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<sup>316</sup> 45 C.F.R. 1626.4(b) (“Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions.”). See also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT'L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS'N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing Legal Services Corporation funded legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005's New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfunded/>.

<sup>317</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>318</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT'L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS'N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing Legal Services Corporation funded legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005's New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfunded/>.

<sup>319</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>320</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>321</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.



<sup>322</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>323</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (crime victim or family member eligible for U visa relief); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (parent of U visa eligible child); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(h) (definitions); 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(U)(i)(I)-(a)(15)(U)(iii) (stating that to qualify for a U visa, the victim must have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of one or more of the following, or any similar activity in violation of Federal, State, or local criminal law: rape; torture; trafficking; incest; domestic violence; sexual assault; abusive sexual contact; prostitution; sexual exploitation; stalking; female genital mutilation; being held hostage; peonage; involuntary servitude; slave trade; kidnapping; abduction; unlawful criminal restraint; false imprisonment; blackmail; extortion; manslaughter; murder; felonious assault; witness tampering; obstruction of justice; perjury; fraud in foreign labor contracting (as defined in section 1351 of title 18); or attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit any of the above mentioned crimes).

<sup>324</sup> To qualify for legal representation by an LSC funded agency, the abuse must either have occurred inside the U.S. or violated U.S. law. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1).

<sup>325</sup> “Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).” 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b); see also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT'L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS'N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005's New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>326</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>327</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT'L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS'N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005's New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>328</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>330</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>331</sup> See, e.g., Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Dep't of Justice, OVW FY 2017 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program Solicitation (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>332</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (crime victim or family member eligible for U visa relief); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (parent of U visa eligible child); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(h) (definitions); 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(U)(i)(I)-(a)(15)(U)(iii) (stating that to qualify for a U visa, the victim must have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of one or more of the following, or any similar activity in violation of Federal, State, or local criminal law: rape; torture; trafficking; incest; domestic violence; sexual assault; abusive sexual contact; prostitution; sexual exploitation; stalking; female genital mutilation; being held hostage; peonage; involuntary servitude; slave trade; kidnapping; abduction; unlawful criminal restraint; false imprisonment; blackmail; extortion; manslaughter; murder; felonious assault; witness tampering; obstruction of justice; perjury; fraud in foreign labor contracting (as defined in section 1351 of title 18); or attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit any of the above mentioned crimes).

<sup>333</sup> To qualify for legal representation by an LSC funded agency, the abuse must either have occurred inside the U.S. or violated U.S. law. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1).

<sup>334</sup> 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b) (“Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).”). See also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing Legal Services Corporation funded legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>335</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>337</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>338</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>339</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (1996) (victim); 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (1996) (parent of victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) (1996) (“Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence. The definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations.” See Leslye E. Orloff, Brittnay Roberts & Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Sept. 12, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/extreme-cruelty-examples-protection-order/>. Compare 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) (1997) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi) (2012).

<sup>340</sup> See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(ii) (parent of victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k) (“Victim of sexual assault or trafficking” means a victim of sexual assault subjected to any conduct included in the definition of sexual assault in VAWA, 42 U.S.C. 13925(a)(29), or a victim of trafficking subjected to any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.).

<sup>341</sup> The abuse must either have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law. See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

<sup>342</sup> See also 45 C.F.R. 1626.4(b) (“Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery or cruelty and includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).”); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASS’N CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfunded/>.

<sup>343</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>345</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>346</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>347</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP) in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150*, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>348</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP) in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150*, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>349</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP’T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>350</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; see *Home Heating Assistance (LIHEAP) Eligibility*, PA DEP’T of HUM. SERVS., <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/heatingassistanceliheap/homeheatingassistanceliheapeligibility/index.htm> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>351</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP) in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150*, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>352</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP) in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150*, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2), (b)(3), (c)(4).

<sup>353</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP’T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

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<sup>355</sup> NAT’L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP) in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150*, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).



<sup>356</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>357</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP'T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>358</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; see *Home Heating Assistance (LIHEAP) Eligibility*, PA DEP'T OF HUM. SERVS., <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/heatingassistanceliheap/homeheatingassistanceliheapeligibility/index.htm> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>359</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>360</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP'T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>361</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>362</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1640(b)(1).

<sup>363</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP'T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>364</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; see *Home Heating Assistance (LIHEAP) Eligibility*, PA DEP'T OF HUM. SERVS., <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/heatingassistanceliheap/homeheatingassistanceliheapeligibility/index.htm> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>365</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>366</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>367</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP'T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

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<sup>369</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

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<sup>371</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>372</sup> Pa. Stat. Ann. tit. 62, § 3015; *Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)*, PA DEP'T OF CMTY. & ECON. DEVP., <https://dced.pa.gov/programs/weatherization-assistance-program-wx/> (last visited May 25, 2018).

<sup>373</sup> 42 U.S.C. § 5121; See American Red Cross and the Nat'l Council of La Raza, and NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Fact Sheet: Immigrant Eligibility for Disaster Assistance* (June 2007), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/immigrant-eligibility-disaster-assistance/>.

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<sup>376</sup> See American Red Cross and the Nat'l Council of La Raza, and NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Fact Sheet: Immigrant Eligibility for Disaster Assistance* (June 2007), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/immigrant-eligibility-disaster-assistance/>.

<sup>377</sup> FEMA, You May Be Able to Get Disaster Assistance (February 21, 2023), [https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema\\_undocumented-immigrants-disaster-assistance\\_flyer\\_2023.pdf](https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_undocumented-immigrants-disaster-assistance_flyer_2023.pdf) (listing naturalized citizens, lawful permanent residents, and certain battered non-citizens or their spouses or children which includes VAWA self-petitioners).

<sup>378</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Disaster Assistance: Food, Shelter, Cash Payments, Loans, and Other Help for Victims of Major Disasters* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 162, 162-64 (4th ed. 2002, rev. Oct. 2017), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/disaster-help/> (explaining that to receive Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), “qualified” immigrants must have employment authorization). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

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<sup>383</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Disaster Assistance: Food, Shelter, Cash Payments, Loans, and Other Help for Victims of Major Disasters* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 162, 162-64 (4th ed. 2002, rev. Oct. 2017), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/disaster-help/> (explaining that to receive Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), survivors of trafficking must have employment authorization). See 22 U.S.C. §§ 7105(b).

<sup>384</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRATION LAW CTR., *Disaster Assistance: Food, Shelter, Cash Payments, Loans, and Other Help for Victims of Major Disasters* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 162, 162-64 (4th ed. 2002, rev. Oct. 2017), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/disaster-help/> (explaining that to receive Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), survivors of trafficking must have employment authorization). See 22 U.S.C. §§ 7105(b).

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<sup>391</sup> See FED. EMERGENCY MGMT. AGENCY, FEMA CITIZENSHIP/IMMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS (2015), <https://www.fema.gov/faq-details/FEMA-Citizenship-Immigration-requirements-1370032118159> (stating that undocumented individuals can apply on behalf of a minor US citizen child who has a social security card).

<sup>392</sup> To be eligible for unemployment insurance, each class of immigrant must have had prior work authorization and had to have been working with the authorization at the time they applied for unemployment. Work authorization must remain valid while they receive unemployment and if work authorization expires, then so does the eligibility for unemployment.

<sup>393</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(1)(B)(i), or (ii); or 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(2), or (3).

<sup>394</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(3).

<sup>395</sup> INA § 208(d)(2); 8 C.F.R. § 274a.12(c)(8); 8 C.F.R. §§ 274a.12(a)(5). 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2).

<sup>396</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

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<sup>398</sup> See Rebecca Smith, *Immigrant Workers' Eligibility for Unemployment Insurance*, NAT'L EMPLOYMENT LAW PROJECT (Mar. 31, 2020), <https://www.nelp.org/publication/immigrant-workers-eligibility-unemployment-insurance/> ("The general rule is that workers must have valid work authorization during the base period, at the time that they apply for benefits, and throughout the period during which they are receiving benefits.").

<sup>399</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

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