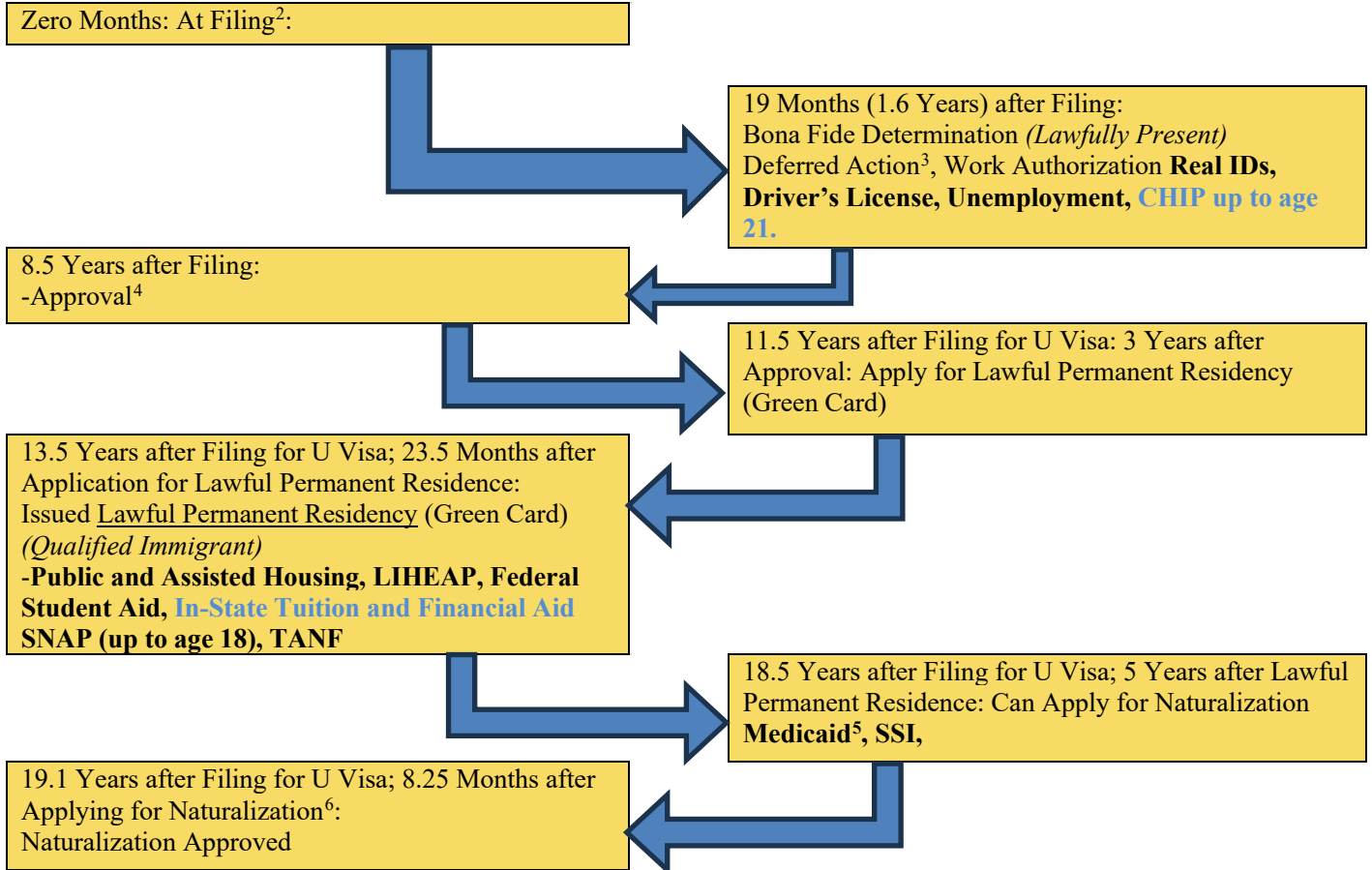


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U Visa Children¹

- All children are eligible for K-12 public education regardless of immigration status



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¹ Child is up to age 21 under immigration law. For public benefits age limit varies by benefits program see state public benefits charts.

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³ Formal protection from removal/deportation

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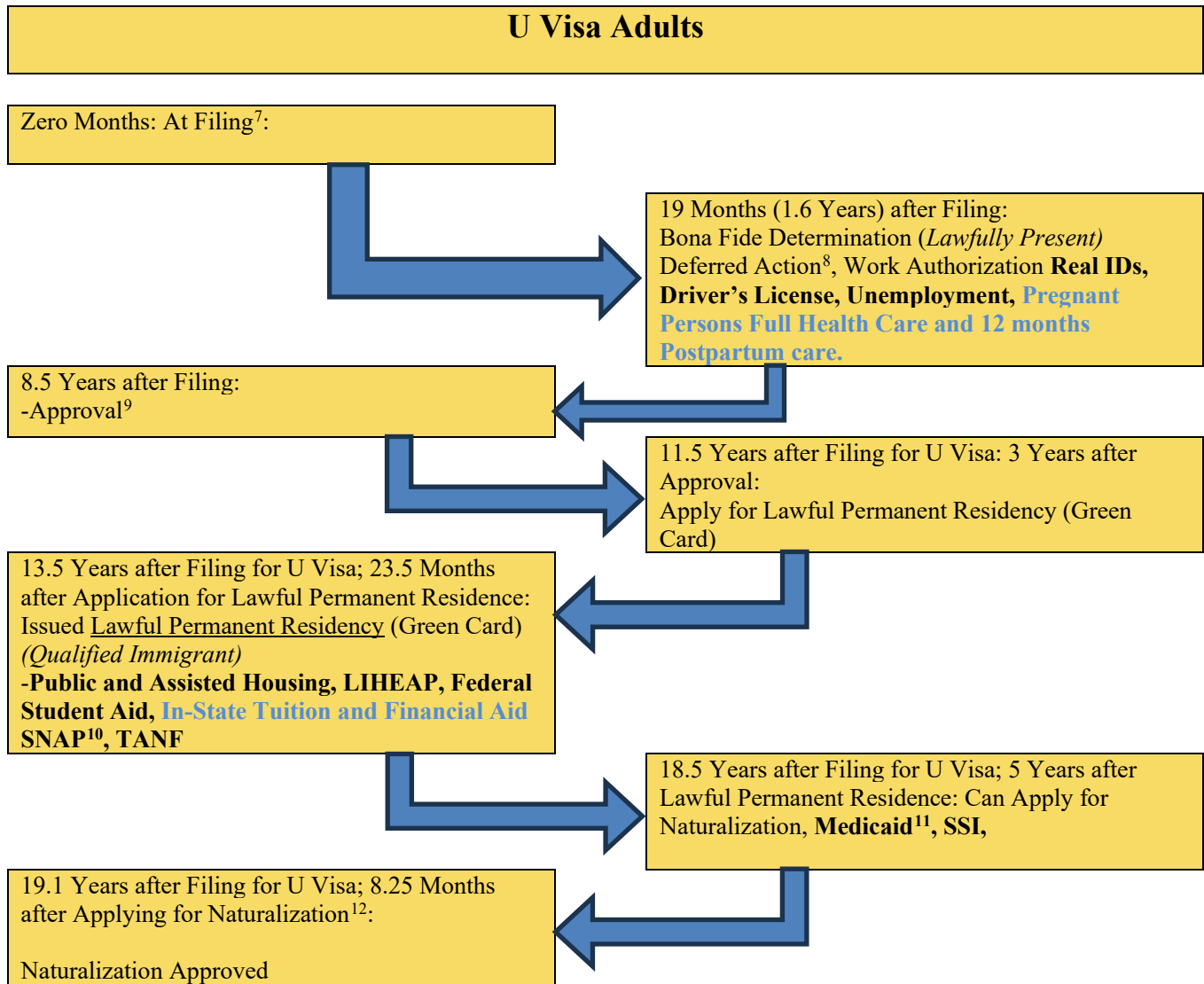
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¹⁰ Must be disabled, have met the 5-year bar, be elderly and entered the US before 8/22/96, or earned 40 quarters (10 years) of work credit since work authorization.

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