

PolicyLab Compiles Resources on Proposed Public Charge Rule Change

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Last month, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released proposed changes to the “public charge” rule. This proposal could block lawful permanent residence in the U.S. for immigrants who either use key safety net programs like Medicaid or are believed to be likely to use such benefits in the future. As we consider how this rule could affect millions of families in our community and across the country, we encourage you to read the following resources about this proposal:

- An [opinion piece](#) published in *The Hill* written by PolicyLab researcher [Katherine Yun, MD, MHS](#), which shares how this proposal would particularly impact low-income families and children with special health care needs.
- A [PolicyLab guest blog post](#) about how this proposed rule could lead more immigrant children to the child welfare system written by Megan Finno-Velasquez, PhD, MSW, assistant professor and director of the Center on Immigration and Child Welfare at New Mexico State University and Jackie Jones, Masters of Social Work candidate at New Mexico State University.
- A [WHYY article](#) that summarizes the proposed rule change and quotes Dr. Yun.



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