

使用公共福利是否會影響我的移民身份？



11月19日，聯邦政府提出對“公共負擔”(public charge)規則進行修改。

根據現行法律，「公共負擔」是指主要依賴現金援助，或在由Medicaid（醫療補助）支付的長期護理機構中接受長期照護的人。如果移民官員認為申請人目前或將來可能主要依賴公共福利，可能會拒絕某些綠卡或簽證申請。

擬議的修改將使部分人士更難獲得綠卡或某些其他移民身份。 **這些擬議修改目前尚未生效。**

這項變化會影響我嗎？

即使擬議規則最終生效，也不會適用於所有移民，**並且會有若干例外情況**。如需獲取有關「公共負擔」規則的最新資訊，請造訪：nyc.gov/publiccharge。

擬議規則不會改變您在符合資格的情況下申請或繼續獲得公共福利、醫療服務或其他市政服務的權利。

我現在應該怎麼做？

目前尚不清楚這些新規則何時生效，但有可能會在不久後實施。

請記住，紐約市為居民提供許多免費或低費用的醫療保健和社會服務。無論您的移民身份、支付能力、就業狀況或英語水準如何，您都可以獲得這些市政服務。

紐約市居民如有疑問，可透過致電 **MOIA 移民法律支持熱綫**獲得免費法律幫助：



1-800-354-0365

免費、保密、並用您的語言提供服務。熱線服務時間請造訪：nyc.gov/immigrants。

Will Using Public Benefits Affect My Immigration Status?



On November 19th, the federal government proposed changes to the “public charge” rule.

Under current law, a **public charge** is someone who relies on cash assistance or is in a long-term care facility covered by Medicaid. Immigration officials may deny some green card or visa applications if they believe an applicant may primarily depend on public benefits now or in the future.

The proposed changes make it harder for someone to get a green card or certain other immigration statuses. **The proposed changes are not currently in effect.**

Could this change affect me?

Even if the proposed rules go into effect, they will not apply to all immigrants.

There will be several exceptions. For the latest information about the public charge rule, go to nyc.gov/publiccharge.

The proposed rules would not change your ability to access public benefits, health care, or other City services if you are eligible for them or already receiving them.

What should I do now?

It is unclear when these new rules will go into effect, though it could be soon.

Remember, NYC provides many no- and low-cost health care and social services to NYC residents. You can access these City services regardless of your immigration status, ability to pay, employment status, or ability to speak English.

NYC residents with questions can get free legal help by calling the
MOIA Immigration Legal Support Hotline:



1-800-354-0365

Free, confidential, and in your language. For hours of operation, visit nyc.gov/immigrants.