Join us for a panel discussion regarding the proposed rule by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) – for which public comments are being accepted until Dec 10, 2018 – that would change “public charge” policies to make it legally harder for immigrants to enter the US or apply for permanent legal residency.

According to leading experts and published research, the proposal would lead to decreased participation by lawfully present immigrant families in essential services for which they are eligible. Such essential services would include non-emergency Medicaid, Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and various housing support programs. Six major physicians organizations are among hundreds of institutions around the country to declare their opposition to the sweeping rule.

**Public Charge: A Threat to Immigrant Health and Public Health**

**Wednesday, December 5, 2018**

**1:00-2:00pm, Kresge G3**

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