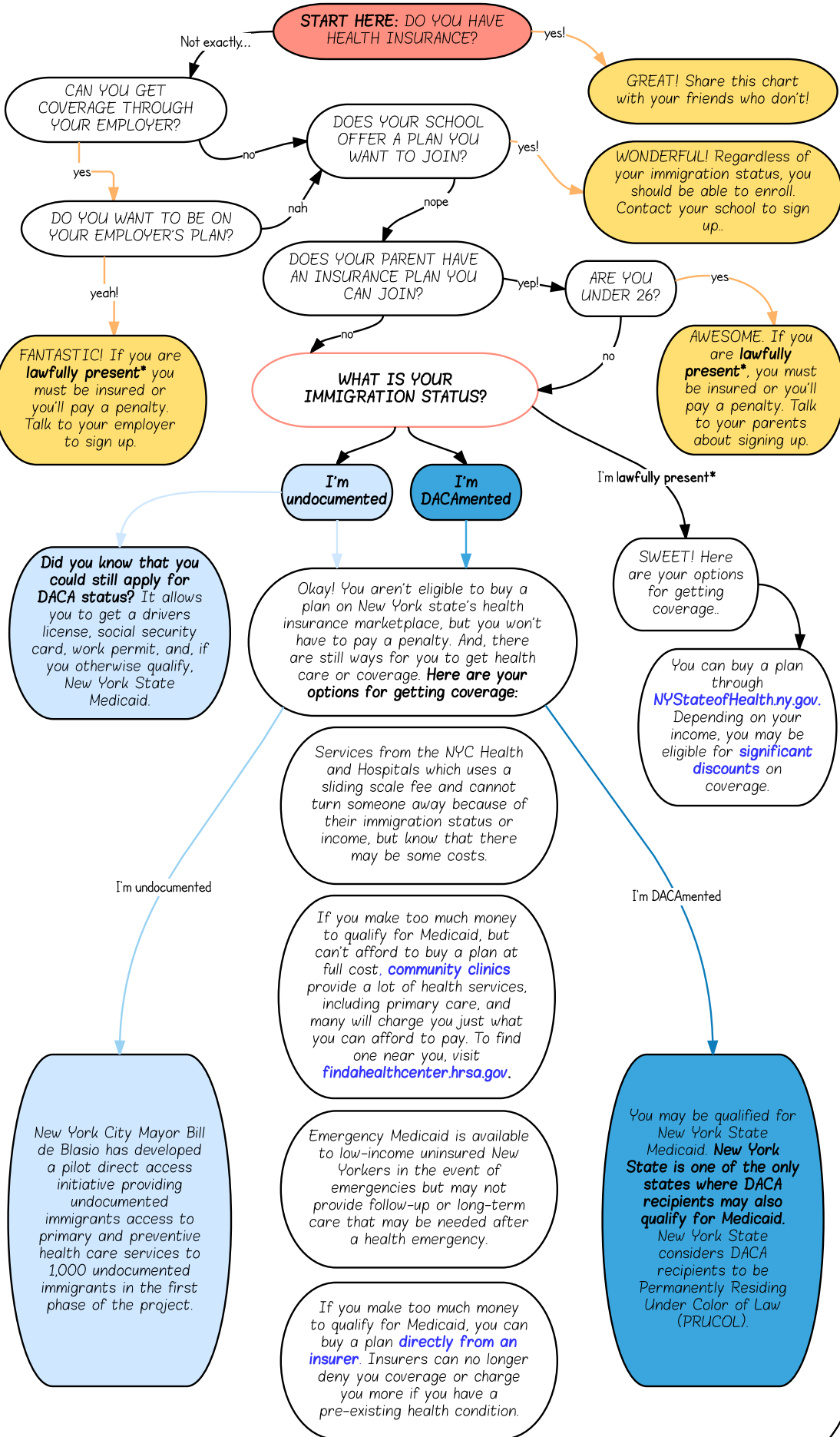


# YOUNG IMMIGRANTS IN NEW YORK: FOLLOW THE ROAD TO HEALTH COVERAGE!



## THE CHALLENGE

Why is Young Invincibles working to close the health coverage gap among young adult immigrants?

In New York City, **about 65 percent of undocumented young adults are uninsured** and documented young adult immigrants have a much higher uninsured rate than their older counterparts.

In a recent report by YI surveying and conducting focus groups and interviews among 19-34 year old immigrants in New York City, we found that the majority of them didn't know what their health care options were.

### Will applying for health insurance negatively affect my visa application or immigration status?

**NO.** When the government is deciding your immigration status, they want to be sure that you won't rely on public assistance for all of your needs. But getting health coverage through Medicaid or NY State of Health will not count against you or make you a "public charge."

### If I apply for health insurance, will NY share my information with federal immigration authorities?

**No.** The information you provide when you apply for health coverage through NY state is protected by privacy and security standards and will not be used for immigration enforcement purposes.

### \*LAWFULLY PRESENT:

If you are a Green Card holder, have a work or student visa, were admitted as a refugee, were granted asylum, or are in deferred action status (but not Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals), you are lawfully present. For a full list of circumstances, visit [tinyurl.com/lawfullypresent](http://tinyurl.com/lawfullypresent).

## WHO IS YOUNG INVINCIBLES?

Young Invincibles is a national, non-partisan organization mobilizing young adults and expanding economic opportunities for 18-34 year olds around higher education, jobs, and health care.

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