

MEDICAL EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Immigration and Nationality Act requires that all immigrant visa applicants and certain nonimmigrant visa applicants undergo a medical examination prior to receiving a visa. The medical examination must be done by the authorized physician listed below. The physician will refer you to a syphilis and gonorrhea testing laboratory. Applicants are advised to schedule their medical examinations at least two to three weeks prior to the date of the visa interview. Please bring the results to your visa interview. Please do **NOT** open your results!

IMPORTANT NOTE:

The validity of your visa will be limited to the length of validity of the Tuberculosis test in your medical report. Travel clearances are valid for 6 months from the time the evaluation is complete for applicants who have no Tuberculosis Classification or Class B2 TB or Class B3 TB. Travel clearances are valid for 3 months from the time the evaluation is complete for applicants who are Class B1 TB, Pulmonary or Class B1 TB, Extrapulmonary. **Applicants who do not travel within the clearance period will need to restart the entire medical examination.** Any applicant diagnosed with pulmonary or laryngeal tuberculosis who needs treatment is not cleared to travel until completion of successful treatment, regardless of the diagnostic criteria. Please contact the panel physician for further information.

Requirements:

You must present the following at the clinic:

- (1) your valid passport/s and a photo copy of the passport.
- (2) six passport-size photographs of each person to be medically examined, along with your case number in order to complete the medical exam.
- (3) Please have your local and U.S. addresses clearly written in the English language.
- (4) If you suffer from a chronic illness, have been treated for any disease, or are under psychiatric care, you should present your medical file during examination.

VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS:

United States immigration law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations (listed below) prior to the issuance of an immigrant visa. Instructions and procedural guides direct panel physicians who conduct immigrant visa medical examinations to verify that applicants have met the vaccination requirement, or that it is medically inappropriate for the visa applicant to receive one or more of the listed vaccinations:

Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Polio, Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids, Pertussis, Influenza Type B (HIB), Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Varicella, Pneumococcal, Influenza, Rotavirus.

To assist the panel physician, and to avoid delays in the processing of an immigrant visa, all immigrant visa applicants should have their vaccination records available for the panel physician's review at the time of the immigrant medical examination. If you do not have a vaccination record, the panel physician will work with you to determine which vaccinations you may need to meet the

requirement. Certain waivers of the vaccination requirement are available upon the recommendation of the panel physician. **Only a physician can determine which of the listed vaccinations are medically appropriate for you, given your age, medical history and current medical condition.**

Blood test and X-ray:

Children aged 2 to 14 are subject to tuberculin skin test. The blood test and X-ray are generally not required of persons under the age of 15, but they are required, under existing United States law, of all other persons. You must undergo the medical examination at least 7 days prior to your scheduled appointment at the Embassy. Failure to do so may result in processing delays.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND VACCINATION FEES

Physical Examination fees for applicants above 15 is **S.D.G. 2000**

Physical Examination fees for applicants below 15 is **S.D.G. 1000**

Vaccination Fees: Vary according to age and vaccines required

All fees are the responsibility of the applicant

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