

Please follow the steps below <u>before</u> your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi, India.

#### **Step 1:** Register your appointment online and submit fingerprints

You need to register your appointment online and schedule a time to visit the Visa Application Center (VAC) before your visa interview. At the VAC, you will provide fingerprints and take photos. Registering your appointment also provides us with the information we need to return your passport to you after your interview. Registration is free. Click the "Register" button below to register.

If you want to cancel or reschedule your appointment, you will be able to do so after you register your appointment.

Register

#### Step 2: Get a medical exam in India

As soon as you receive your appointment date, you must schedule a medical exam in India. Click the "Medical Exam Instructions" button below for a list of designated doctors' offices. Please schedule and attend a medical exam with one of these doctors before your interview.

**Medical Exam Instructions** 

#### Step 3: Complete your pre-interview checklist

It is important that you bring all required original documents to your interview. We've created a checklist that will tell you what to bring. Please print the checklist below and bring it to your interview along with the listed documents.

**Pre-Interview Checklist** 

#### **Step 4:** Review interview guidelines

Read our interview guidelines to learn about any special actions that you need to take *before* your visa interview.

**Interview Guidelines** 

#### **Contact information**

U.S. Embassy Consular Section Shantipath, Chanakyapuri New Delhi – 110021

Phone:

91-120-4844644 or 91-40-4625-8222 From the U.S.: 703-520-2239

Email:
india@ustraveldocs.com

Website:
in.usembassy.gov

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#### **Other links**

- After your interview
- Frequently asked questions
- Country Documents Finder

#### Social media







#### **Interview Preparation Video**



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# **Medical Exam Instructions**



#### Medical Examination and Vaccination Instructions

#### **List of Approved Panel Physician Sites for India**

Now that you are intending to apply for an Immigrant/K visa, the U.S. Consulate General in Mumbai has authorized the physicians listed below to administer your medical examination. Please make your examination arrangements with any panel physician site on the list at least seven days before your immigrant visa appointment.

Please carry the following items for each family member:

- Original appointment letter;
- Passport;
- Four recent photographs;
- All medical records of vaccinations, prior illnesses or treatments. You must discuss your medical history and current conditions, including, but not limited to, pregnancy, diabetes, hypertension and other conditions and medications taken, with the physician.

These physicians are licensed to practice locally and the examinations they give to visa applicants conform to standards prescribed by the United States Public Health Service. Any attempt by an applicant to influence the panel physician's medical judgment will reflect unfavorably on the visa application.

The physician may need four to seven days to prepare the results of your medical examination. Collect the report from the panel physician and bring it to the Consulate on the day of your visa interview.

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# The following fees for panel physicians have been authorized by the U.S. Consulate General Mumbai, effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

	Apollo (APHC) Chennai	Apollo Hospital Gandhinagar	Apollo Clinic Surat	CMM Hyderabad	MAX Delhi	MAX Mohali	Rele Mumbai
Adult Examination*	14500	13040	11000	13000	9400	9400	14300
Children (2 - 14 years)**	9700	7650	6300	13000	8600	8600	13200
Children (0 -2 years)	4000	3150	3300	5000	3400	3400	4400
Psychological Consultation (if required)	2000	1260	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000

- \* Adult examination **includes**: Physical exam, Chest X-Ray, VDRL, Gonorrhea testing, TB testing, TB screening, and TB treatment (if necessary), as required by the Technical Instructions.
- \* \* Children 2-14 years examination **includes**: Physical exam, IGRA testing, TB screening, and TB treatment (if necessary) as required by the Technical Instructions.

#### **Vaccines**

Panel physicians who conduct medical examinations of immigrant and K visa applicants are required to verify that applicants have met certain vaccination requirements, or that it is medically inappropriate for an applicant to receive one or more of the following vaccinations:

DT/DTP/DTaP, Td, Polio (OPV/IPV), Measles (or MR or MMR), Mumps (or MMR), Rubella (or MR or MMR), Rotavirus, Hib (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B), Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Meningococcal, Varicella, Pneumococcal, and Influenza.

If you have already received some or all of the required vaccinations, you should bring your vaccination records with you to your medical exam for verification. Physicians at the panel sites listed below can determine which of the listed vaccinations are medically appropriate for you given your age, medical history, and current medical condition. Only vaccinations verified or administered at the panel sites listed below will be accepted by the Consulate.

Immunizations are subject to prevailing market prices.

# **Medical Exam Instructions**



#### LIST OF PANEL PHYSICIANS

#### **CHENNAI**

Apollo Personalized health check block (APHC block) 4th floor, Apollo Hospitals (Annex building) Wallace garden 1st street, Chennai, 600 006 Tel No: 044 4040 1066

#### **DELHI**

#### **Max Med Centre**

First Floor, 26 A, Ring Road, Lajpat Nagar-4

New Delhi -110024 Tel No: +91 8860444888

chennai.apollohospitals.com

Time: Monday through Saturday (except for legal holidays) - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **GUJARAT**

#### (1) Apollo Hospitals

Nr. Indira Bridge, Dist.: Gandhinagar Ahmedabad – 382428

Tel No: 079-66701800, EXT. 2002

Timing: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (Monday to Saturday)

#### (2) Apollo Clinic

Mann Complex Anand Mahal Road, Adajan

Surat

Tel No: 0261-2790202 /

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#### **HYDERABAD**

#### **Center for Migration Medicine**

A Wing, 2nd floor, 8-2-293/HH/89 Banjara Hills Road #12 Hyderabad Telangana - 500034

migrationmedicine.com

Tel No: +91 40 2360 7770 (Prior appointment required)

#### **MUMBAI**

#### **Rele Clinic**

10AA, Gita Building Pandita Ramabai Road, Gamdevi Mumbai – 400007

Tel: 022-23613737 / 23613838

releclinic.com

#### **PUNJAB**

#### **Max Super Specialty Hospital**

Near Civil Hospital, Phase-VI Mohali, Punjab-160055

Telephone: 91-0172- 5212000

Time: Monday through Saturday (except for legal holidays) - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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# **Medical Exam Instructions**



#### After the medical exam

When your examination is completed, the doctor will provide you with exam results in a sealed envelope. The physician may need four to seven days to prepare the results of your medical exam. You may need to return to the clinic at a later date to pick up your exam results. **DO NOT OPEN THIS ENVELOPE**. Instead, bring it to your visa interview.

Any x-rays taken will be given to you. You **DO NOT** need to bring the x-rays to your visa interview unless you suffer from tuberculosis (TB). However, you **must** carry the x-rays with you when you travel to the United States for the first time. The medical report must be less than six (6) months old when you enter the United States as an immigrant.

**NOTE**: Your visa interview will not be conducted if you do not have a completed medical report from the panel physician. In case of unexpected delays in processing of your medical report, please contact this office by email at <a href="mailto:support-india@ustraveldocs.com">support-india@ustraveldocs.com</a> to reschedule your appointment.

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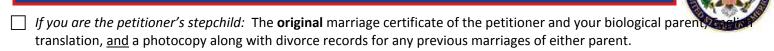
# Pre-Interview Checklist **☑**

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Ple	ase use the list below to determine the items that every applicant must bring to the immigrant visa interview:
	A copy of your NVC interview letter (does not apply to Diversity Visa, fiancé(e), adoptive, or asylee/refugee applicants).
	Unexpired passport valid for six (6) months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States <u>and</u> a photocopy of the biographic page (where your name and photo are located).
	Two (2) color passport-size photographs of each person applying for a visa (5 cm x 5 cm, or 2 inch x 2 inch). Please review our <u>online photo requirements</u> .
	Confirmation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at <a href="mailto:ceac.state.gov/iv">ceac.state.gov/iv</a> .
	Your <b>original</b> birth certificate, English translation, <u>and</u> a photocopy.
	Medical examination results in a sealed envelope (if the physician gives you these results).
	Original or certified copies of birth certificates for all children of the principal applicant (even if he or she is not accompanying).
Apı	plicants who fall into any category listed in italics below should bring these additional documents:
For	family-based visa applications:
	The appropriate Form I-864 Affidavit of Support for <b>each</b> financial sponsor along with a photocopy of the sponsor's IRS transcript or most recent U.S. federal income tax return, and any relevant W-2s.
	Proof of your U.S. petitioner's status and <u>domicile</u> in the United States (photocopy of a U.S. passport, naturalization certificate, or lawful permanent resident card).
	Evidence of the relationship between the petitioner and visa applicant (such as photographs, letters, or emails).
	If you are married: Your original marriage certificate, English translation, and a photocopy.
	If you were previously married: Your original divorce or spouse's death certificate, English translation, and a photocopy.
	If you are older than 16 years of age: The <b>original</b> police certificate from your country of current residence and all countries of previous residence. If these three items are <u>all</u> true, you must bring a more recent police certificate to the interview:
	<ol> <li>You are older than 16 years;</li> <li>You obtained a police certificate and submitted it to NVC more than one year ago; and</li> <li>You still live in the country that issued the police certificate.</li> </ol>
	For employment-based visa applications: Letter from your U.S. employer dated less than one month ago.
	If you have ever been convicted of a crime: Court and criminal records, English translation, and a photocopy.
	If you have served in any country's military: Military records, English translation, and a photocopy.

☐ If you are adopted: Adoption papers or custody documents, English translation, and a photocopy.

# **Pre-Interview Checklist ☑**



# **Interview Guidelines**



#### Sending documents to the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi

If you need to send us any documents, please DO NOT mail them to us directly. Instead, visit <u>ustraveldocs.com</u> and ask for information on courier services. Please do not send any original documents to us. You may bring original documents (plus a photocopy for the embassy's files) to your visa interview.

#### Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you are unable to attend your appointment, please go to <u>ustraveldocs.com</u> to select a new appointment date. **There may be a significant wait before the next available appointment,** so please attempt to attend the date already assigned. For some family-based and employment preference visa categories, a visa became available within the month you have been scheduled by NVC. **There is no guarantee that a visa will still be available on the date of your rescheduled interview.** Please carefully consult the <u>Visa Bulletin</u> before you request to reschedule your interview.

**Please note:** You need to register your original NVC/KCC appointment online (see <u>Step 1</u>) before you can reschedule it. Rescheduling is only possible on a date <u>after</u> your assigned appointment.

#### Security screening procedures

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi must follow certain security procedures. Any visitor who declines to be screened by U.S. Embassy security personnel will be unable to enter the embassy. To avoid delaying your entry and that of those in line behind you, please bring only what is required for your interview.

#### **Accompanying persons**

The following persons may accompany a visa applicant to their interview:

- Interpreter: Applicants may bring ONE interpreter if they do not speak English, Hindi, Punjabi, Malayalam, Tibetan, or Tamil well enough to participate in an interview.
- Special Needs Visitors: Applicants may bring ONE person to help if they are elderly, disabled, or a minor child.

Attorneys are **not** permitted to accompany clients into the waiting room or to their interview.

#### **Immigrant visa fees**

If you have not paid all required fees to either the National Visa Center or via the appointment website, please be prepared to pay these fees on the day of your interview. All fees may be paid in either U.S. dollars or the Indian Rupee equivalent. We accept cash and rupee bank drafts only. Bank drafts may only be from a nationalized or foreign bank and must be issued in the name of "American Embassy, New Delhi." Check the consular rate of exchange at <a href="https://www.ustraveldocs.com">ustraveldocs.com</a> the day before your interview. Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded. A list of fees can be found <a href="fees for Visa Services webpage">Fees for Visa Services webpage</a>.

#### Do not make travel plans outside of India

If your visa is approved, we will keep your passport at the embassy while we prepare your immigration packet and print a visa for your passport. We will return your passport to you later via courier services only (see <a href="Step 1">Step 1</a>). If you have to travel within India while your passport is still with us, please make sure you have a valid picture ID other than your passport.

# **After Your Visa Interview**



A consular officer can make a decision on a visa application only after reviewing the formal application and interviewing the applicant. *There is no guarantee that you will receive a visa*. Do not sell your house, car or property, resign from your job or make non-refundable flight or other travel arrangements until you have received your immigrant visa.

#### If more information is needed

Sometimes a consular officer is unable to make a decision on a visa application because he/she needs to review additional documents or the case requires further administrative processing. When additional documents are requested, the consular officer will give you a refusal letter that asks you to submit additional documents. The letter will include instructions on how to send those documents to the embassy.

Administrative processing takes additional time after the interview. Most administrative processing is resolved within 60 days. However, the timing varies based on the circumstances of each case. Before inquiring about the status of administrative processing, please wait at least 60 days after your interview.

#### What happens after visa approval

Passport, Visa, and Sealed Immigrant Packet – We will place your immigrant visa on a page in your passport. Please review your visa to make sure there are no spelling errors. We will also give you a sealed envelope containing documents that you must give to U.S. immigration authorities when you arrive in the United States for the first time. Do not open this envelope. You must carry it with you. Do not put it in your checked luggage. If you receive X-rays during your medical examination, carry those with you and give them to the U.S. immigration authorities.

**USCIS Immigrant Fee** – All individuals who are issued immigrant visas overseas must **pay an <u>Immigrant Fee</u>** to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) **prior to traveling** to the United States. This fee is for processing your residency status and printing your Permanent Resident Card. The only people exempt from paying this fee are: children entering the United States under the Hague Process, returning residents, and people traveling on a fiancé(e) (K) visa.

When You Should Travel – You must enter the United States *before* the expiration date on your visa, which is usually six months from the time of your medical exam. Your visa cannot be extended and all fees are nonrefundable. The principal applicant must enter **before or at the same time** as other family members with visas. Unless they are eligible for benefits under the Child Status Protection Act, children who are issued a visa before turning 21 years of age must enter the United States *before* their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday to avoid losing their immigrant status.

**Getting a Green Card** – Your Form I-551 Permanent Resident Card, also known as a green card, will be automatically mailed to the address in the United States that you write in your visa application form. This is a very important document that proves you have permission to reside in the United States. *If you plan to travel outside the U.S. before your green card arrives*: Please consult <u>USCIS's</u> and <u>CBP's</u> websites for rules about what documents you need to re-enter the country. We also recommend you check with the airline to ensure you are in compliance with their rules. *Once your card is issued, you should not stay outside of the United States for more than one year. If you do, you may lose your status as a Lawful Permanent Resident.* 

**Children's Issues** – In the United States, children are required to have certain vaccinations before they can enroll in school. We recommend that you bring your child's complete vaccination records with you to the United States. If your child is adopted, you have full custody as a result of a divorce, or you share custody with another parent, you should bring a copy of all applicable adoption or custody papers from the authoritative court in your home country. You will need these papers (translated into English) for issues such as school enrollment, medical care, and eventual citizenship.

# **After Your Visa Interview**

**Information for New Immigrants** – Please visit the USCIS web page for helpful information on moving to the States. You can read their publication "<u>Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants"</u> online.