

# **Embassy of the United States**

Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Please follow the steps below <u>before</u> your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

# Step 1: Get a medical exam in Cambodia

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

# **Medical Exam Instructions**

# Step 2: 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 3:** 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 #1, Street 96 Sangkat Wat Phnom Khan Daun Penh Phnom Penh, Cambodia

- Phone: 023 728 000
- Website:
  kh.usembassy.gov/
- ¶ Map:



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# **Interview Preparation Video**



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# **Medical Exam Instructions**



Every applicant for an immigrant or fiancé(e) visa is required to undergo a medical examination by a physician authorized by the Embassy. The applicant may also require immunizations before a visa can be issued. Applicants must contact the physicians directly to arrange an appointment. All examination and immunization fees are the responsibility of the applicant.

Cambodian applicants may choose to undergo examination in Phnom Penh.

The following physicians are authorized to conduct medical examination of visa applicants. The fees listed below are for medical examination only. Immunizations may require the payment of an additional fee. Applicants should bring their passport, a case number (on a packet 3 letter), records of any major illnesses or immunization, and six (1 x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches or 4x6 cm) photographs of themselves for IOM hospital and EMC or eight (1 x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches or 4x6 cm) photographs for Raffles Medical to the medical examination.

### **PHNOM PENH**

# International Organization for Migration (IOM) – Migration Health Assessment Centre

No. 42, Samdach Pan Street (214), Sangkat Beoung Raing, Khan Daun Penh, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Tel: (023) 214 132

Mobile: (095) 805 306; (098) 805 306

Fax: (023) 216 423

Dr. ROS Socheat Dr. MEAS Livy

Basic Examination Fee: Adults USD 110 (not including Gonorrhea test) Children (under 15) USD 90 (not including the IGRA test)

### Note:

Vaccination fees (if required) are charged separately.
 TB sputum tests (if required) are provided free of charge at IOM.

### **HOPE Worldwide Embassy Medical Center (EMC)**

# 18, Street 228, Sangkat
Chaktomuk, Khan Daun Penh, Phnom Penh,
Cambodia
Tal. (202) 545, 475, (2017) 400, 650, (202) 545, 475, (2017)

Tel: (092) 545 475, (017) 490 650, (023) 900 451

Email: panelphysician@hwwmedcenters.org

Dr. KANG Own Dr. LIM Daly

Basic Examination Fee: Adults USD 135 (including the Gonorrhea test, chest X-ray, and TB treatment, Syphilis test) Children (under 15) USD 85 + IGRA Test (Age 2-14) USD 100 **Note:** 

Vaccination fees (if required) are charged separately.
 TB investigation tests (if required) are charged separately.
 TB treatment (if required) is provided free of charge at EMC.

# Raffle Medical (Cambodia)-Medical and Dental Clinic

House 161, Street 51 (Pasteur) Sangkat Boeung Raing, Daun Penh Phnom Penh, Cambodia Tel: (023) 216 911; (012) 816 911 Fax: (023) 215 811

Fax: (023) 215 81

Dr. N. Tan

Dr. MEASKETH Carine Dr. CHEN Kosal

Basic Examination Fee: Adults: USD 148 Children (under 15): USD 90 + IGRA Test (Age2-14) USD 192

#### Note

Vaccination fees (if required) are charged separetly.

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# **Medical Exam Instructions**



# Items to bring to your medical examination

The doctor will need the following items to complete the medical exam forms:

- Your visa interview appointment letter with case number,
- Your passport,
- Eight (8) recently taken 1 inch x 1.5 inch (4 x 6 cm) passport-sized color photographs,
- A copy of your immunization records, and
- Records of any major illnesses and treatments.
- DS-260 confirmation page

Any medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, must be paid directly to the examining physician. Vaccination/immunization fees and TB sputum tests (if required) will require additional fees. Applicants who are 15 years old or younger may have to pay an additional fee of \$43 at Raffle Medical or \$60 at IOM if a gonorrhea test is required.

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# **Medical Exam Instructions**



## **During the medical exam**

The medical examination will include a medical history review, physical examination, and chest X-ray, gonorrhea testing, and blood tests (for applicants 15 years of age or older). The United States also requires tuberculosis (TB) testing for all applicants two years of age and older. Please be prepared to discuss your medical history, medications you are taking, and current treatments you are undergoing. More information on general medical requirements for U.S. immigrants.

U.S. immigration law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations prior to the issuance of a visa. Current immigrant visa <u>vaccination requirements</u> You can also read Frequently Asked Questions about our medical examination requirements <u>online</u>.

# After the medical exam

In most cases, the doctor will provide you with exam results in a sealed envelope or send them directly to the U.S.Consulate. IF GIVEN AN ENVELOPE TO CARRY TO YOUR INTERVIEW, 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 months old when you enter the United States as an immigrant.

# **Pre-Interview Checklist ☑**



# Please 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). Your national identification card Unexpired passport valid for six months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States. 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 online photo requirements. Confirmation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at ceac.state.gov/iv. Your **original** birth certificate, English translation, <u>and</u> a photocopy. Original or certified copies of birth certificates for all children of the principal applicant (even if he or she is not accompanying). Applicants 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 each 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 domicile 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, <u>and</u> a photocopy. If you are older than 16 years of age: The original police certificate from your country of current residence and countries of previous residence. If these three items are <u>all</u> true, you must bring a more recent police certificate to the interview: 1. You are older than 16 years; 2. You obtained a police certificate more than one year ago; and 3. You still live in the country that issued the police certificate. 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.

If you are the petitioner's stepchild: The original marriage certificate of the petitioner and your biological parent, English

translation, and a photocopy along with divorce records for any previous marriages of either parent.

# **Interview Guidelines**



### **Important information**

At your interview, please be prepared to show evidence of your relationship with your U.S. petitioner. Examples include but are not limited to a household registration list, e-mail communication, photographs of you and the petitioner at family events, and school records.

## Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you are unable to attend your appointment, please email <a href="Months: IVPhnomPenh@state.gov">IVPhnomPenh@state.gov</a> as soon as possible. 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. DV applicants should be aware that visas are numerically limited and must be issued by September 30 of the program year. There is no guarantee that a visa will still be available on the date of your rescheduled interview. Please carefully consult the <a href="Wisa Bulletin">Visa Bulletin</a> before you decide to reschedule your interview.

## **Security screening procedures**

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy in Cambodia 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. You are not allowed to enter the U.S. Embassy while carrying any battery-operated or electronic devices, large bags or luggage, or food and liquid items. 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:

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 the National Visa Center, please be prepared to pay these fees on the day of your interview.

All fees must be paid by U.S. dollars in cash. We do not accept credit cards. *Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded.* A complete <u>list of fees</u>.

### Do not make travel plans outside of Cambodia

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. You will be able to pick up your passport at the embassy in 6 to 10 business days. If you have to travel within Cambodia while your passport is with us, please 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 K visa.

When You Should Travel – You must enter the United States *before* the expiration date on your visa, which is usually six (6) months from the date of printing. 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 will 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 custodial 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.

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

# **Diversity Visa Applicants – Additional Information**



If you are interviewing for a Diversity Visa (DV), all of the above instructions apply to you. Please schedule and attend a medical examination prior to your visa interview; enroll in the required courier service; and gather the required documents.

Below are additional instructions that apply **only** to DV applicants.

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In addition to the documents listed on the Pre-Interview Checklist in this package, DV applicants should also bring following items to your visa interview:	g the
Appointment information printed from the "Entrant Status Check" on the E-DV website	
Documents showing that you have either a qualifying high school education <b>OR</b> have two years of qualify work experience in the last five years immediately prior to application (for the principal applicant only; material information is available online).	-
Payment in cash of the \$330 Diversity Visa Application Fee	

## **Review your DV Lottery entry**

Prior to your visa interview, we recommend that you review the data on your initial E-DV entry. On your initial E-DV application, you must have correctly entered your marital status. If you are legally married you must have listed your spouse, even if you are currently separated from him/her (unless your spouse is a U.S. citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident).

Additionally, you must have listed ALL of your living children who are unmarried and under 21 years old. This includes your natural children, your spouse's children, or children you have formally adopted in accordance with the laws of your country.

Failure to have listed an existing spouse or children at the time of your entry in the Diversity Visa lottery will result in the denial of your visa and visas for your family. Any fees paid to the U.S. government in support of your visa application(s) are nonrefundable. If you failed to include a child who had already been born, or a spouse to whom you were married when you entered the lottery, you should not proceed with the visa application. You can review the eligibility requirements online.