



Instructions For Offshore Medical Examinations **SIR visa applicants**

- You and all members of your family unit included in your application must undergo a medical (clinical) examination. You must undertake Permanent Residence medicals.
- Applicants aged 11 years and over are also required to do a chest x-ray examination.
- Applicants aged 15 years and over are also required to do HIV testing.
- Examinations must be undertaken by a panel doctor. You will be able to find an up-to-date listing of panel doctors and hospitals on the Internet at the following address:

<http://www.immi.gov.au/allforms/doctors/index.htm>

- The panel doctor will be able to advise you regarding the name of a radiologist who is authorised to complete the Form 160 examination.
- The panel doctor's report must be completed on the enclosed Form 26. All costs involved in the examination are your own responsibility.
- You must carry with you your original, currently valid passport as identification to present at the time of the examination and at the time of any x-ray/blood testing. Please note that no other form of identification is acceptable.
- The reports, x-ray films and printed HIV blood test results must be forwarded directly by the panel doctor to the address shown on the medical forms.
- Please note that it can be up to 2 months after you have done your medical examination, before a decision is made regarding the medical findings. The decision may be that a further examination or tests are required, in which case you will be advised and be given further instructions in writing.

Note: In the unlikely event that any of the medical or x-ray reports come to you, it is essential that you do not open or in any way tamper with the sealed envelopes that contain the reports. If there is any indication that the envelopes have been opened or tampered with before reaching this office, then it is possible that you will be required to re-do the examinations, again at your own cost.

- If, during your medical examination, it is discovered that you or a member of your family has a potential health issue, your application may be subject to a health undertaking. This means that relevant person must sign an undertaking to report to the health authority in the state of your intended residence within a few weeks of arrival. If a health undertaking is required, you will later be advised of this in writing.

Please Note – The ASPC's preferred method of communication is via e-mail



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Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

To: The Panel Doctor

These medicals must be sent to the Local Clearance Unit in Sydney.

- If medicals are sent via normal post, the address is –

**Local Clearance Unit
Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs
GPO Box 9984
Sydney NSW 2001
AUSTRALIA**

- If medicals are sent via courier, the address is –

**Local Clearance Unit
Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs
Level 6, 26 Lee Street
Sydney CBD NSW 2000
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