CLIENT DECLARATION AND NOTICE WITH RESPECT TO THE IMMIGRATION MEDICAL EXAM AND NOTICE WITH RESPECT TO VACCINATION

Family name(s)	Given name(s)	IME #

NOTICES REGARDING THE MANDATORY IMMIGRATION MEDICAL EXAM

The Immigration Medical Exam (IME)

A panel physician and affiliated health professionals and institutions will conduct your IME and related tests for the purpose of determining admissibility or inadmissibility on health grounds pursuant to the *Immigration and Refugees Protection Act* (IRPA). The panel physician and/or affiliated health professionals will enter the results into the eMedical system which will then be transferred by Australian Department of Home Affairs (Home Affairs).The IME may include (but is not limited to) a full physical examination, a questionnaire related to your past and current health condition(s), a chest x-ray, HIV and Syphilis blood tests, and a urine test.

Storage of Immigration Medical Exam information in the eMedical System

The information collected and retained related to your IME, including a digital facial photograph, will be electronically processed in the eMedical system. The eMedical system is an electronic system which is hosted, operated, maintained and owned by the Australian Department of Home Affairs (Home Affairs). The information collected will be temporarily stored in the eMedical system and electronically transferred by secure means including in-transit encryption to IRCC in Canada. The storage period within the eMedical system can be up to 15 months from when the IME is assessed by IRCC. Home Affairs and IRCC may share this information for purposes related to the operation and maintenance of the eMedical system. Home Affairs will preserve and keep confidential any information in relation to the IME that is collected or stored within eMedical and will not use or disclose the information for any other purposes unless authorized by law.

Note:

- If the information collected in relation to your IME is not stored within the eMedical system, then the processing of your application will be delayed;
- Home Affairs and IRCC have certain procedures that contain information explaining how a person can access their information that is collected and stored in eMedical, seek the correction of such information, submit a complaint regarding a breach of privacy laws or codes of practice that apply to Home Affairs or IRCC, and how Home Affairs and IRCC deal with such complaints;
- Persons seeking access to their information that is collected and stored in eMedical should contact IRCC which will liaise with Home Affairs as required;
- Home Affairs' privacy policy is available at: **https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-and-accountability/our-commitments/plans-and-charters/privacy-policy**
- IRCC's access to information and privacy procedures is available at: **http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/department/atip/index.asp**

Medical Surveillance

If the results of your IME indicate the presence of a medical condition that is a danger to public health, an Officer may find you inadmissible or may impose a condition on your admissibility to Canada. This is a requirement for you to report to a provincial/territorial public health authority for medical follow-up (medical surveillance) upon entry to Canada.

If a condition to report is issued to you, IRCC will:

- Notify the appropriate public health authority of these results, and the requirement for medical follow-up (medical surveillance) for purposes related to the administration of the Immigration and Refugees Protection Act (IRPA) and to protect the health and safety of Canadians;
- Disclose relevant information contained in the IME with the respective public health authority;
- Collect information from the public health authority regarding compliance with the medical follow-up (medical surveillance) requirement in Canada;
- Update your immigration file regarding compliance with this condition upon receipt of the compliance information.

Note that the public health authority will be notified when IRCC has your permanent residential address in Canada. If you need to update your contact information, please email the Public Health Liaison Unit at IRCC at **IRCC.MHBSurveillance-SurveillanceDGMS.IRCC@cic.gc.ca**.

Disclosure of information to third party service provider organizations responsible for managing IRCC temporary accommodations

If the results of your IME indicate the presence of an infectious disease or condition that may pose a risk of danger to public health, or strong suspicion of such a disease or condition, and you are being provided with temporary accommodations by IRCC, and in order to mitigate the potential transmission of said infectious disease or condition, IRCC will share limited information with third party service providers to ensure:

- They can inform you of the IME results; and
- They can seek advice from public health authorities in order to implement the appropriate infection prevention and control measures.

Information to be shared will be limited to:

- Unique client identifier
- Location of IRCC accommodations
- Bracelet number or equivalent information to identify your location inside the accommodations
- Clinical details relevant to the management of the infectious disease or condition

NOTICES REGARDING VACCINATION AND COLLECTION / DISCLOSURE OF VACCINATION HISTORY

Vaccination and disclosing proof of vaccination

At the time of your IME, the Panel Physician administering your IME may offer you a vaccination. You are not obligated to accept this offer of a vaccination; whether or not you accept the offer of vaccination will not be used for the purpose of assessing your immigration application or determining your admissibility to Canada under IRPA. If you choose to be vaccinated, the Panel Physician will obtain your consent for the vaccination.

The Panel Physician will also seek your consent to disclose the record of this vaccination to IRCC. If you consent to the disclosure, information related to this vaccination will be stored in eMedical where IRCC will have access to collect it. If you do not consent to the disclosure, information related to this vaccination will not be stored in eMedical and IRCC will not receive a record of this vaccination. If you chose not to be vaccinated or do not consent to the disclosure there will be no impact on your immigration application.

The Panel Physician may also seek your consent to disclose to IRCC information about your vaccination history (vaccinations obtained prior to the IME visit). If you consent to this disclosure, your vaccination history will be stored in eMedical where IRCC will have access to collect it. You are not required to submit proof of your vaccination history to IRCC for the purpose of your IME; this information will not be used for the purpose of assessing your immigration application and determining your admissibility to Canada under the IRPA . If you do not consent to the disclosure, IRCC will not receive a record of your vaccination history and this will not impact your application.

Storage of vaccine related information in the eMedical System (if you consent for this information to be disclosed to IRCC)

Vaccine-related information including type of vaccination(s) received, date(s) of vaccination and/or reason a vaccination was not offered and/or not administered will be electronically processed in the eMedical system if you have consented to the disclosure of this information to IRCC. The eMedical system is an electronic system which is hosted, operated and maintained by the Australian Department of Home Affairs (Home Affairs). The information collected will be temporarily stored in the eMedical system and electronically transferred by secure means including in-transit encryption to IRCC servers in Canada; the storage period within the eMedical system can be up to 15 months from when the IME is assessed by IRCC. Home Affairs and IRCC may only share this information for purposes related to the operation and maintenance of the eMedical system. Home Affairs will preserve and keep confidential any vaccine-related information that is collected or stored within eMedical and will not use or disclose the information for any other purposes unless authorized by law. IRCC will preserve and keep confidential any vaccine - related information that is transferred into its internal file storage system, GCDocs, and will not use or further disclose the information for any other purposes than the uses listed here unless authorized by law.

Note:

- Home Affairs and IRCC have privacy policies that contain information explaining how a person can access the information collected and stored in eMedical, seek the correction of such information, submit a complaint regarding a breach of privacy laws or codes of practice that apply to Home Affairs or IRCC, and how Home Affairs and IRCC deal with such complaints;
- Persons seeking access to the information collected and stored in eMedical should contact IRCC which will liaise with Home Affairs as required;
- Home Affairs' privacy policy is available at: **https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-and-accountability/our-commitments/plans-and-charters/privacy-policy**
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Use of vaccination data

Information that could be used to identify an individual will be removed from the vaccination data when it is combined with that of other individuals for research purposes. The results of this research, which will not contain personal information, will be used to assess vaccine access, uptake, and relevant trends. These results may be used by IRCC and/or shared with other federal departments and/or provincial/territorial counterparts to inform vaccine-related programing and policies.

Declaration:

I understand that misrepresentation and providing false information is an offence under section 127 of IRPA and may result in a finding of inadmissibility to Canada or a removal from Canada.

I understand that I have a right to refuse (in full or in part) to have the IME but accept that such a refusal will have a negative impact on my application for immigration to Canada.

I understand that accepting or refusing a vaccination as well as agreeing to or refusing to disclose my vaccination history to IRCC will have no impact on my application for immigration to Canada and is not required as part of my IME.

I understand that if the results of my IME indicate the presence of an infectious disease or condition that may pose a risk of danger to public health, or strong suspicion of such a disease or condition, and I am being provided with temporary accommodations by IRCC, that IRCC may share limited information with third party service providers on site to facilitate the protection of public health.

PLEASE COMPLETE ONLY ONE OF (A) OR (B)

(A) CLIENT DECLARATION (client 16 years of age and older)

I, _____ _____ _____

Client's family name(s) | Client's given name(s) | Date of birth (YYYY-MM-DD)

have read and understand this form and declare that all information provided by me during the Immigration Medical Examination in support of my application to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is true and complete.

_____ _____

Signature of client | Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

(B) DECLARATION OF PARENT/ LEGAL GUARDIAN (on behalf of the client who is under 16 years of age or a dependent who cannot sign for reasons of incompetency)

I, _____ _____

Family name(s) of parent/legal guardian | Given name(s) of parent/legal guardian

have read and understand this form and declare that all information provided by me during the Immigration Medical Examination in support of the application of

_____ _____ _____

Client's family name(s) | Client's given name(s) | Date of birth of client (YYYY-MM-DD)

to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is true and complete.

I confirm that, as a parent or legal guardian, I am legally authorized to act on the behalf of the above named client.

_____ _____

Signature of parent/legal guardian | Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

Name of witness:

_____ _____ _____

Witness name - Please Print | Signature of witness | Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

Your information, except vaccination information, is provided in support of your application to IRCC. Your information is collected under the authority of IRPA and its Regulations. It will be used to render a decision regarding this application and may be used for future applications. Notwithstanding identified exceptions related to data that is not provided in support of an application, providing information to support the immigration medical examination is mandatory. Failure to provide the mandatory information may result in your application being denied. Some information is retained to maintain a record of the application for the purpose of the administration of IRPA. It will be stored in the Personal Information Bank IRCC PPU 052 related to Medical Records. It may be shared with other organizations under the consistent use provision of the Privacy Act, pursuant to federal/provincial/territorial or local information sharing agreements or as required by law. Under the Privacy Act and the Access to Information Act individuals have the right to protection of and access to their personal information. Details on these matters are available at **www.infosource.gc.ca**. Info Source is also available at Public Libraries in Canada.