

Your Immigration Medical

What to expect at the medical.

The Doctor will perform a blood test, urinalysis and a chest x-ray.

The Doctor will also perform a physical examination.

Children between 0-10 do not have to give blood or have an x-ray.

What happens to the results?

The Doctor will send the results will to Immigration.

If there are any concerns with your results you may be asked to go for further testing.

After the medical...

For health care you will need to find a Family Doctor that accepts new patients. This may be difficult depending on where you live.

You may find Health services at a *Walk-in-Clinic* or at a *Community Health Centre*.

Talk to your Settlement Counsellor or Social worker about finding family doctors and finding health services

Rules for Health Care Providers

Privacy and Confidentiality

is a rule that all Health Care providers in Canada follow . This means that Doctors, Nurses or any other Health care workers can only ask you questions and provide treatment in private. You have the right not to answer or accept any treatment in a public setting.

Informed Consent

If at anytime during a medical appointment you do not understand what is being explained to you, you have the right to ask for an interpreter. You must fully understand and agree before you accept treatment or provide a signature for consent.

Interim Federal Health and your Immigration Medicals

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Interim Federal Health

What is Interim Federal Health?

Interim Federal Health (IFH) is a temporary program that provides refugee claimants and Convention Refugees health insurance through the Federal Government. A Interim Federal Health Certificate is issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

What does IFH certificate cover?

- Emergency and essential health services
- Emergency Dental coverage up to \$400 for the entire length of certificate
- Health service for those suffering from a serious medical condition
- Contraception
- Prenatal and obstetrical care
- Essential medicines
- Immigration medicals

What is not covered through the IFH certificate?

- Routine medical/eye exams
- Chiropractic care
- Alternative or complementary medicine
- Most over-the-counter medications even when written on a doctor's Prescription

Immigration provides a list of what IFH covers on your Eligibility Form.

When does IFH Certificate expire?

IFH will expire after 12 months. The expiration date is listed at the bottom of your ID Document. To renew your IFH insurance you will need to schedule an appointment at an immigration office in your area in order to re apply for insurance.

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Who performs Immigration Medical?

Immigration will give you a list of designated Immigration Doctors. You must call to book an appointment immediately as there may be a waiting period to see the Doctor.

Remember....

You only have 60 days to complete the immigration medical upon entry into Canada.

What to bring to your medical appointment?

- 4 passport sized photos of yourself and for each member of your family
- 2 passport sized photos of children 0-10 years old
- All Eligibility forms (ID documents) for each member of your family