



Consular Section  
P.O. Box 302  
Bridgetown, Barbados

### MEDICAL EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

One of the requirements to apply for an immigrant visa is a medical examination and certification of good health by the Embassy-designated panel physician. The Diagnostic Clinic is open Monday to Friday, and you should appear there between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. The clinic is closed on Barbadian holidays but open on United States holidays.

The physician will not conduct an examination until you present your passport and visa appointment letter with your Case Number, (BGN #). Each applicant will be required to provide the clinic with their full intended U.S. address, including the ZIP/postal code, and an e-mail address. Each applicant is required to present FOUR (4) passport-size photographs for this process. (And one additional for the visa process.)

It is not necessary to make an appointment with the clinic. All visa applicants, regardless of age, need a medical exam. **Applicants should bring their immunization and medical records to the medical exam. Please ensure that your immunization records are as up to date as possible.** Also, please be sure to eat breakfast before arriving at the clinic. If you live in Barbados you should have your medical exam done as soon as possible. If you live in any other country, please plan to spend two to three days in Barbados prior to your interview to allow sufficient time to complete the medical examination and vaccinations. Children under the age of 15 will not need a chest X-Ray or serological test, unless required by the examining physician. Results of the examination, including X-Rays, will be given to you to present to the Embassy on the day of your visa interview.

**NOTE: ONLY THE DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC IDENTIFIED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE IS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM THESE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS. NO OTHER MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE EMBASSY. YOU MUST REPORT TO THE CLINIC NO LATER THAN 8:00 A.M.**

**APPLICANTS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY MUST REMOVE ALL CLOTHING FOR THEIR EXAMINATION.**

**YOUR MEDICAL EXAMINATION CANNOT BE COMPLETED IN ONE DAY; YOU MUST BE PREPARED TO STAY IN BARBADOS FOR SEVERAL DAYS.**

### MEDICAL EXAMINATION FEES

The basic examination fee for each applicant shall be:

**For each applicant 15 years of age and older, the fee shall not exceed US \$210.00 and shall include:**

Serologic test for syphilis	<u>US\$12.00</u>
Chest X-ray with radiology report	<u>US\$55.00</u>
Physical examination and documentation:	<u>US\$123.00</u>
RPR (Blood and Urine Test)	<u>US\$10.00</u>
Serologic test for HIV (at physician discretion)	
Taking of blood & transporting to hospital for AIDS test	<u>US\$10.00</u>
Urine screen for gonorrhoea and chlamydia	<u>US\$75.00</u>

Any additional serologic test will be performed for US\$10. Any additional chest x-rays will be US\$25.00, assuming that the results were not compromised by laboratory error. In the case of error, the repeat tests or x-rays will be performed at no extra charge to the applicant. Any additional serologic tests to confirm HIV infection will be performed at no extra charge to the applicant.

**The fee for the bacteriological examination of sputum, when needed, for a series of three acid-fast smears will be determined at the time of testing.**

**For each applicant younger than 15 years of age, the fee shall not exceed US\$102.00.**

**FEES FOR IMMUNIZATION IF REQUIRED TO BE DONE BY THE CLINIC ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

To administer required immunizations **US\$ 20.00**

**VACCINATION AND FEES**

Measles/Mumps/Rubella	US\$ 30.00
Polio (oral)	US\$ 15.00
D.P.T. (Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis) age 2 months to 6	US\$ 30.00
Hepatitis B	US\$ 25.00
D.T. (Diphtheria/Tetanus) Over six years to adult	US\$ 20.00
HIB	US\$ 25.00
Varicella (Chicken Pox) Age 1 year upwards	US\$ 80.00
Hepatitis A Age 12 to 23 month	US\$ 80.00
Meningococcal Age 11 to 18 years	US\$ 80.00
Pneumococcal (Type PPV)	US\$ 30.00

Should the general examination reveal the need for additional tests or a more specialized examination, the work will be performed by consultants chosen by the applicants or designated by the examining Physician. Any fee in conjunction with further tests or examinations will be at the expense of the applicant.

Pre-test counseling and post-test counseling of all classified cases shall be included in the basic charge for examination.

The rate of exchange used in determining the equivalent of the above fees in Barbados dollars is currently US\$1.00 = BDS\$1.98. The fees are subject to adjustment upon written agreement by both parties. The rate of exchange is subject to change upon notification by the Embassy. The fees must be paid to the Facility in cash. Payable in Barbados or U.S. dollars **ONLY**.

**APPROVED MEDICAL CLINIC AND EXAMINERS**

**The Diagnostic Clinic**

Beckles Road, St Michael, Barbados

Telephone Number 246-426-5051 or 246-426 5053

Dr. Roger Goddard, Mr. Arthur R. Edghill CBE, Dr. Sandra Reece, Dr. Hawkins-Voss,  
Dr. Joseph Herbert



Consular Section  
P.O. Box 302  
Bridgetown, Barbados

RECENT CHANGES TO THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION LAW NOW REQUIRE IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS TO PRESENT ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION TO THE MEDICAL FACILITY.

### **INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURAL GUIDANCE**

Panel physicians who conduct medical examinations on behalf of immigrant visa applicants are now required to verify the medical history of the applicant. **Where applicable**, immigrant visa applicants must present a letter from their family doctor indicating previous and current medical conditions, names and doses of medication frequency of their use, and the length of time since diagnosed with condition.

Persons who wear spectacles must bring them to the Clinic, along with a letter from their optician or their ophthalmologist if they are attending one.

**Failure to present these letters could result in a longer waiting time before the “MEDICAL” can be completed.**

Each applicant attending the Diagnostic Clinic to complete a medical examination for an immigrant visa must present four recent identical colour photographs. Failure to bring your photographs will result in a delay in completing your medical examination.

**Applicants going to the medical facility may have their normal breakfast before proceeding to the Diagnostic Clinic.**

**APPLICANTS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY MUST REMOVE ALL CLOTHING FOR THEIR EXAMINATION.**

*P.O. Box 302  
Bridgetown, Barbados*

The following is a list of hotels in and around Bridgetown, Barbados. Some applicants will have to stay overnight in Barbados when applying for their visas, due to flight times/restrictions. It is intended solely to assist applicants in arranging accommodations in Barbados. The United States government does not take responsibility for the rates charged or services rendered by these establishments. The information that follows is subject to changed. (If calling from overseas, dial 1-246 in front of the numbers below).

<b>Hotel Name</b>	<b>Distance from Bridgetown</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Discounts/Special</b>
Amaryllis Beach	2.5 Kilometers	Hastings	438-8000	10% off for Caricom residents
Broomes	1.5 Kilometers	Pine Gardens	426-4955	Transportation included
Just Home	1.5 Kilometers	Aquatic	427-3265	Taxi service available
Coconut Court	2.7 Kilometers	Hastings	427-1655	10% off for Caricom residents
Golden Beach	2.5 Kilometers	Hastings	426-6784	15% off for Caricom residents
Island Inn	1.5 kilometers	Aquatic Gap	436-6393	
Jendal Villa Apartments	4 Kilometers	Kingsland Garden	420-9269	Transportation available to the Embassy
Kingsland Palace Guest House	5 Kilometers	Kingsland	420-9008	Transportation available to the Embassy
Nautilus	1.5 Kilometers	Bay Street	426-3541	Self Service Apartments With housekeeping service
Pirates Inn	3.5 Kilometers	Hastings	426-6273	10% off for Caricom residents
Regency Cove	3.5 Kilometers	Hastings	435-8924	10% off for Caricom residents
Arjan Apartments	4. Kilometers	Spooners Hill	438-6112	Transportation Available
Sholan Inn		Coverly	428-0039	20% off advance bookings
Sierra	3 Kilometers	Hastings	429-5620	
Sunshine Beach	3 Kilometers	Hastings	427-1234	Winter & Summer rates
Almanda Beach	3.8 Kilometers	Worthing	435-6693	10%discount for Caricom resident