

Please follow the steps below *before* your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Jakarta, Indonesia.

### Step 1: Register online

Before your interview, you must register online to either designate the office where you wish to collect your passport and issued visa packet or to enter a delivery address. Registration is free. Click the "Register" button below to register.

Register

### Step 2: Get a medical exam in Indonesia

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

**Medical Exam Instructions** 

# Step 3: 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 4: Review interview guidelines

Read our interview guidelines to learn about any special actions that you need to take before your visa interview.

**Interview Guidelines** 

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### Contact information

U.S. Embassy Jl. Medan Merdeka Selatan No. 3 - 5 Jakarta 10110, Indonesia

Phone: 62-21-5083-1000

*≢*=7 Email: JakIV@state.gov

- Hebsite: https://id.usembassy.gov/
- Reschedule: Visa Appointment Service

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### Other links

- Frequently asked questions •
- Where to find civil documents •
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigrant . **Services**
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- USA.gov •
- Welcome to the United States: • A Guide for New Immigrants

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### Interview Preparation Video



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All immigrant visa applicants, regardless of age, require a medical examination prior to the issuance of a visa. Only a physician accredited by the U.S. Embassy can perform this exam. It is your responsibility to schedule a medical exam with one of the doctors listed below at Premier Bintaro Hospital <u>before</u> your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy. Medical examination results from other physicians will <u>not</u> be accepted.

### **Approved physicians**

### Premier Bintaro Hospital

Dr. Erlynda Taufik, Dr. Nathalia Wusis, or Dr.Grace Ndjurumana. Jl. Jalan M.H. Thamrin No.1 Sektor 7 Bintaro Jaya, Banten 15224 Tel: 021-2762-5500 or 021-745-5500 Hours: Dr. Taufik - Monday 15.00 – 17.00 / Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 07.30 - 17.00 / Saturday 07.30 – 15.00 Dr. Wusis - Monday 07.30 - 15.00 / Wednesday, Friday 07.30 – 17.00 Dr. Wibisono - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 07.30 – 15.00 Dr. Ndjurumana hours: Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 07.30 - 15.00

### Items to bring to your medical examination

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

- Your visa interview letter,
- Your passport and one photocopy of your passport's biographical page,
- Six (6) recently taken <u>U.S. passport-sized photographs</u>
- Medical records of previous illnesses or surgeries,
- A copy of your immunization records, and DS-260 confirmation page

Any medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, must be paid directly to the examining physician. Please schedule your exam at least 10 days before your scheduled visa interview. It can take the physicians up to two weeks to complete your medical exam report.

### During the medical exam

The medical examination will include a medical history review, physical examination, and chest X-ray, gonorrhea test, 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 is available via <u>CDC.gov</u>.

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

### After the medical exam

When your examination is completed, the doctor will send the completed results directly to the U.S. Embassy Jakarta. A copy of your vaccination record will be returned to you on the day of the examination by the panel physician. Keep the copy for your records. If you received a CD of your x-rays, you must bring it with you to the United States.



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Medical reports are valid for three (3) or six (6) months from the date of examination, depending on the examination results. Your visa will be limited to the expiry date of the medical exam

All documents not in English must be accompanied by an English translation certified by a competent translator and sworn to before a Notary Public. Court documents such as divorce papers must be either original with a court seal or a court-certified copy. Copies certified by a lawyer are not acceptable.

Please use the list below to determine the items that every applicant must bring to the immigrant visa interview:

- Original documents must bear an original seal, stamp or signature of the official record custodian.
- Any documents that are not in English <u>must</u> be accompanied by a certified English translation.
- Translations must be true and complete, and must include a signed and dated notation by the translator saying: "I certify that this is a true and complete translation."
- A copy of your NVC interview letter (does not apply to Diversity Visa, fiancé(e), adoptive, or asylee/refugee applicants).
- Unexpired passport valid for six months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States <u>and</u> a photocopy of the biographic page (where your name and photo are located).
- 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 <u>online photo requirements</u>.
- Confirmation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at <u>ceac.state.gov/iv</u>.
- Your **original** birth certificate <u>and</u> a photocopy.
- Medical examination results in a sealed envelope (*if the physician gives you these results*).
- Certificate of Name Change (if applicable) and 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 <u>Form I-864 Affidavit of Support</u> 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 <u>domicile</u> 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 <u>and</u> a photocopy.
- If you were previously married: Your original divorce or spouse's death certificate and 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:

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- 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 <u>and</u> a photocopy.

*If you have served in any country's military*: Military records <u>and</u> a photocopy.

*If you are adopted:* Adoption papers or custody documents <u>and</u> a photocopy.

☐ *If you are the petitioner's stepchild:* The **original** marriage certificate of the petitioner and your biological parent, <u>and</u> a photocopy along with divorce records for any previous marriages of either parent.





You must select a delivery address for your passport's return prior to scheduling your visa interview appointment. When you select your document delivery address, be sure to have the Immigrant Case Number shown in the Embassy notification letter. If your visa application is approved, RPX will return your passport and visa to you at the address or pick-up location you selected when you scheduled your interview. Your passport will be delivered only to the address you specified when you scheduled your visa interview. For more information about courier fees charges on different location, kindly refer via <u>ustraveldocs.com</u>

To register your document delivery return address online, via <u>cgifederal.secure.force.com</u>. To change your current document delivery address selection, via <u>cgifederal.secure.force.com</u>. To register or change your document delivery return address through our call center, via <u>ustraveldocs.com</u>.

### Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

For cases that are not processed through NVC, OR if you are unable to attend their NVC scheduled interview. All requests for IV appointments for immediate relative (IR/CR/IB/IW), returning resident (SB1) and fiancé (K) visas must be made online by via <u>cgifederal.secure.force.com</u>.

For immediate relative (IR/CR/IB/IW), returning resident (SB1) and fiancé (K) visas, you will see an onscreen calendar showing the available appointment dates at the time you schedule your appointment. Please schedule your interview date by selecting your appointment date.

If you are unable to attend your scheduled appointment, please inform the Consular Section by email at <u>JakIV@state.gov</u> 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 your interview was scheduled. **There is no guarantee that a visa will still be available on the date of your rescheduled interview**. Please carefully consult the <u>Visa Bulletin</u> before you request to reschedule your interview.

### Security screening procedures

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy in Jakarta 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

Petitioners may accompany the applicant(s) to the visa interview or, if the applicant is not fluent in English, one interpreter may attend. Please inform <u>JakIV@state.gov</u> at least one weeks prior to the interview day.



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### 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 may be paid in either Indonesian Rupiah or by credit card. We accept MasterCard, Visa, and American Express. Credit card charges will be made in U.S. dollars and foreign exchange charges may apply.

*Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded*. A list of fees can be found <u>Fees for Visa Services</u>.

### Do not make travel plans outside Indonesia

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. We will return your passport to you later via the method you selected when you registered online If you must travel within Indonesia while your passport is still with us, please make sure you 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 they need 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.

When administrative processing is required, the consular officer will inform the applicant at the end of the interview. The duration of the administrative processing will vary based on the individual circumstances of each case. Before inquiring about the status of administrative processing, please wait **at least** 60 days after your interview or submission of supplemental documents, whichever is later.

### 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. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) 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. CBP official who process your admission to the United States.

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**Online Processing** - If your application is handled via online processing, all your supporting immigration documents will be transferred electronically to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). In most cases, you are **NOT** required to carry a sealed envelope during your travel to the United States as an Immigrant Visa holder. At the U.S. port-of-entry, you must present **only** your passport containing the immigrant visa.

What do I need to do before I travel - You must pay the USCIS <u>Immigrant Fee</u> to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) after you receive your immigrant visa and before you travel to the United States. Only children who enter the United States under the Orphan or Hague adoption programs, Iraqi and Afghan special immigrants, returning residents (SB-1s), and those issued K visas are exempt from this fee. Please visit the <u>USCIS website</u> for more information and to pay the fee. Please Note: USCIS will not issue a Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551 or Green Card until you have paid the fee.

**When should I travel** - You must arrive in and apply for admission to the United States no later than the visa expiration date printed on your visa. An immigrant visa is usually valid for up to six (6) months from the date of issuance unless your medical examination expires sooner, which may make your visa valid for less than six (6) months.

**Entering the United States** - When traveling to the United States, the primary (or principal) applicant must enter before or at the same time as derivative family members with visas. A visa does not guarantee entry into the United States. The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customers and Border Protection (CBP) officials have authority to grant or deny admission. Learn about admission and entry requirements on the <u>CBP website</u>. When you are admitted, you will enter as a Lawful Permanent Resident, also called a green card holder, and will be permitted to work and live in the United States.

**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 custody 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.

When You are a Permanent Resident – Learn more about your status as a <u>Lawful Permanent Resident</u>. You may also wish to review <u>Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants</u>.

**Social Security Number** – To learn about the U.S. Social Security Administration benefits available to Legal Permanent Residents, and how to apply for a social security number card, visit the <u>Social Security Administration</u> website.

**Diversity Visa Applicants - Additional Information** 

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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.* 

### Bring to your interview

In addition to the documents listed on the Pre-Interview Checklist in this package, DV applicants should also bring the following items to your visa interview:

- Appointment information printed from the "Entrant Status Check" on the <u>E-DV website</u>
- Documents showing that you have either a qualifying high school education OR have two years of qualifying
  work experience in the last five years immediately prior to application (for the principal applicant only; more
  information is available via <u>travel.state.gov</u>.
- Payment in Rupiah cash or Credit Card 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 via <u>travel.state.gov</u>.