Please follow the steps below before your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm, Sweden. Please note that interviews for applicants residing in Sweden, Denmark and Norway are conducted in Stockholm.

**Step 1: Register your appointment online**

If you are a resident of Sweden, you need to register your address online. Registering your address provides us with the information we need to return your passport to you after your interview. Registration is free. Click the “Register” button below to register. Please make sure to register your delivery location before your interview in order to avoid delay in the return of the immigrant visa. Residents of Denmark and Norway should not register their address online. The address registration will be handled at the time of the interview.

If you want to cancel or reschedule your appointment, you will be able to do so after you register your appointment.

[Register]

**Step 2: Get a medical exam in Sweden, Denmark or Norway**

As soon as you receive your appointment date, you must schedule a medical exam in Sweden, Denmark or Norway. Click the “Medical Exam Instructions” button below for a list of designated doctors’ offices in Sweden, Denmark or Norway. 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]
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 before your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy. Medical examination results from other physicians will not be accepted.

**IMPORTANT:** Applicants residing in Denmark or Norway should attend a medical exam with the approved physician in that country. Please instruct the physician to forward your exam results directly to the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm.

### Approved physicians

**DENMARK**  
*Mette Gabriel, Kasper Banke Kristensen, Henrik Rothmann Nørresø*  
Medical Office - Lægekontoret  
Amaliegade 33  
1256 Copenhagen K  
Tel: 33 48 92 63 or 33 48 92 67  
Phone hours: 09.00-14.00, Monday – Friday  
Email: info@medicaloffice.dk  
Website: medicaloffice.dk

**NORWAY**  
*Dr. Torbjorn Haugen*  
*Dr. Thor Arne Grønnreød*  
Ullevaal Stadion,  
Sognveien 75F  
Tel: 22 02 68 33  
Fax: 22 02 68 11  
Email: info@emigrationmedical.com

**SWEDEN**  
*Dr. Jan Arlestig*  
Sibyllekliniken  
Karlvägen 56  
114 49 Stockholm  
Tel: 08 662 81 00  
Email: visumintyg@sibylleklinken.com

*Dr. Einar Persson*  
Kungsportsläkarna  
Kungsportsavenyn 33  
400 10 Göteborg  
Tel: 031-339 99 70  
Phone hours: 08.00-17.00, Monday – Friday  
Email: bokning@kvarterskliniken.se  
Website: kvarterskliniken.se

### Items to bring to your medical examination

Any medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, must be paid directly to the examining physician. The doctor will need the following items to complete the medical exam forms:

- Your visa interview letter,
- Your passport,
- Three(3) recently taken passport-sized color photograph, and
- A copy of your immunization records.

### 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 any treatments you are undergoing. Information on general medical requirements for U.S. immigrants is available [here](#). U.S. law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations prior to the issuance of a visa. Current vaccination requirements are available [here](#). You can also read Frequently Asked Questions about medical exams [online](#).

### After the medical exam

When your examination is completed, the doctor will send your exam results directly to the U.S. Embassy.
Any x-rays taken will be given to you. You **DO NOT** need to bring the x-rays to your visa interview unless you suffer from tuberculosis (TB). However, you **must** carry the x-rays with you when you travel to the United States for the first time. The medical report must be less than six months old when you enter the United States as an immigrant.
Pre-Interview Checklist ✓

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

- □ 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 (6) months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States and a photocopy of the biographic page (where your name and photo are located).
- □ Two (2) color photographs of each person applying for a visa (5 cm x 5 cm, or 2 inch x 2 inch). Please review our online photo requirements. You will need additional photos for your medical examination.
- □ Confirmation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at ceac.state.gov/iv.
- □ For residents of Sweden only: Confirmation page from the visa delivery registration you completed online (see Step 1). Print the IV Delivery Confirmation page that contains a computer-generated barcode.
- □ Your original birth certificate from your country of birth, English translation, 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 Form I-864 Affidavit of Support 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 domicile 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). Please note that you may not bring your phone, tablet or computer to the interview. If you communicate through Skype/Viber/WhatsApp or online platforms, you can instead print screenshots of some of your communications.
- □ If you are married: Your original marriage certificate, English translation, and a photocopy.
- □ If you were previously married: Your original divorce or spouse’s death certificate, English translation, and a photocopy. If the petition is based on marriage to petitioner, you will also need to present any original divorce decree(s) of the petitioner.
- □ 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 all true, you must bring a more recent police certificate to the interview:
  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, English translation, and a photocopy.
- □ If you have served in any country’s military: Military records, English translation, and a photocopy.
- □ If you are adopted: Adoption papers or custody documents, English translation, and a photocopy.
- □ If you are the petitioner’s stepchild: The original marriage certificate of the petitioner and your biological parent, English translation, and a photocopy along with divorce records for any previous marriages of either parent.
Interview Guidelines

Sending documents to the U.S. Embassy

Residents of Sweden: If you need to send us any documents, please do not mail them to us directly. Instead, visit our online customer center and ask for information on courier services. Residents of Denmark and Norway: If asked to submit additional documents, you will need to send them directly to the U.S. Embassy via mail/courier.

Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you are unable to attend your appointment, please immediately email stkivinfo@state.gov. There may be a significant wait of up to six months 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 you have been scheduled by NVC. DV applicants should be aware that visas are numerically limited and must be issued by September 30 of the program year. There is no guarantee that a visa will still be available on the date of your rescheduled interview. Please carefully consult the Visa Bulletin before you decide to reschedule your interview.

Security screening procedures and arrival at the embassy

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy 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. To avoid delaying your entry and that of those in line behind you, please bring only what is required for your interview. There are no storage facilities at the embassy for items other than cellphones, which may be stored in lockers at the embassy’s entrance. There are storage facilities at the main bus/train station in Stockholm (Centralstationen) or at the airport. Once you arrive at the embassy, please stand in the line for U.S. Citizens/Immigrant Visa Applicants. Once you pass through security, please proceed directly to window #7 in the consular waiting room.

Accompanying persons

Attorneys are not permitted to accompany clients into the waiting room or to their interview. Only the following persons may accompany a visa applicant to their interview:

- You may bring ONE interpreter if you do not speak English well enough to participate in an interview. Please email stkivinfo@state.gov before the interview with the interpreter’s name. Petitioners may not serve as interpreters.
- You may bring ONE person to help if you are elderly, disabled, or a minor child.

Immigrant visa fees

If you have not paid all required fees to either the National Visa Center or via the appointment website, please be prepared to pay these fees on the day of your interview. All fees may be paid in U.S. dollars. We accept cash and credit cards only. Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded. A complete list of fees can be found here.

Do not make travel plans outside of consular district

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 courier services only. Residents of Denmark and Norway should check with their border control to confirm they can re-enter the country by showing ID other than a passport. If you need your passport back the same day as your interview, you will need to return the passport to our office later in order for us to finalize your application.
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 he/she needs 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.

**Administrative processing** takes additional time after the interview. Most administrative processing is resolved within 60 days. However, the timing varies based on the circumstances of each case. Before inquiring about the status of administrative processing, please wait at least 60 days after your interview.

### 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. immigration authorities 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. immigration authorities.

**USCIS Immigrant Fee** – All individuals who are issued immigrant visas overseas must **pay an Immigrant Fee** to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) **prior to traveling** to the United States. This fee is for processing your residency status and printing your Permanent Resident Card. The only people exempt from paying this fee are: children entering the United States under the Hague Process, returning residents, and people traveling on a K visa.

**When You Should Travel** – You must enter the United States **before** the expiration date on your visa, which is usually six months from the date of printing. Your visa cannot be extended and all fees are nonrefundable. The principal applicant must enter **before or at the same time** as other family members with visas. Children who turn 21 years old **after visa issuance** must enter the United States before they turn 21 years old; otherwise they will lose their immigrant status.

**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. **Do not travel outside of the United States until you receive your Permanent Resident Card. 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** – Children are required to have certain vaccinations before they can enroll in school in the United States. Therefore, we recommend that you bring your child’s complete vaccination records with you to the United States. Additionally, if your child is adopted, you have full custody as a result of a divorce, or you share custody with the child’s other parent, we recommend that you bring a copy of all applicable adoption or custodial papers from the authoritative court in your home country. You will likely need these papers (translated into English) in the United States for issues such as school enrollment, medical care, and eventual citizenship.

**Information for New Immigrants** – Please visit the USCIS web page for helpful information on moving to the United States. You can read their publication “**Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants**” online.
Diversity Visa Applicants – Additional Information

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 E-DV website.
- 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 online).
- Payment in cash of the $330 Diversity Visa Application Fee.

IMPORTANT: DV applicants are not required to submit an Affidavit of Support form to the consular officer during their interview. However, during the interview an applicant for a diversity visa must establish to the satisfaction of the consular officer that he or she is not likely at any time to become a public charge. If the applicant doesn’t have any assets or a job offer in the United States, he/she may find a financial sponsor in the United States. That sponsor should complete Form I-134 and mail to the DV applicant the original signed form, a copy of his/her U.S. federal tax return for the most recent tax year, and proof of current U.S. income. The DV applicant should bring those items to the visa interview. You can find Form I-134 online at uscis.gov.

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 online.