

KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA VISA APPLICATION PROCESS UPDATE: NEW MEDICAL REPORT SPECIMEN FOR SAUDI VISA APPLICANTS

Introduction

On **November 30, 2022**, **The Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia In Abuja** (the "Embassy") released a circular on new medical test report for Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Visa (KSA Visa) applicants. The Circular which was issued to all Institutions accredited by the Embassy for Issuing Medical Report (the "Accredited Institutions") introduced a new medical report specimen to be followed by the Accredited Institutions in issuing the medical report to applicants.

Need-to-know Information!

By virtue of the Circular, any medical report issued by Accredited Institutions after December 5, 2022, must adhere to the specimen attached to the circular (the "New Specimen").

The new specimen, which became effective on December 5, 2022, introduced new medical examinations and laboratory investigations to the test report, as detailed below:

1. Medical History including allergies, psychiatric and neurological disorders
2. Eye Tests
3. Ear Tests
4. Systemic Examination; blood pressure, heart, Lungs, abdomen function test.
5. Hernia Test
6. Varicose Veins
7. Venereal Disease and Communicable Disease testing
8. Urine Tests
9. Stool Tests
10. Blood Tests
11. Pregnancy Test (if applicable)

In addition to the aforementioned changes, the following tests that were included in the previous medical report specimen are also included in the New Specimen, as detailed below;

1. HIV Test
2. Malaria Test and
3. Hepatitis Tests
4. Chest X-Ray

The New Specimen confirms both the applicant's physical and mental health, as opposed to the previous medical report, which did not require information on the applicant's mental health.

Conclusion

This new requirement is already in effect, and every KSA Visa applicant must undergo these tests, as well as include a medical report that complies with the New Specimen in their application to the Embassy. Please be advised that as a result of this update, the fees for assisting KSA Visa applicants with obtaining medical tests was slightly reviewed.

Our team is available to assist with the visa process.

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