

*** MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS ***

1. It is a requirement of the foreign service that personnel and their dependents on posting, transfer between posts abroad, and on return to Canada, undergo a medical examination, chest x-ray and immunization against diseases prevalent in the country in which the new post is situated, and that a satisfactory medical certificate, approved by the Department of National Health and Welfare, be submitted to the Deputy Head of the Department concerned. On initial posting the examination will include psychological assessment as necessary to determine fitness for overseas service.

2. Medical examination will be provided at government expense and, wherever possible, will be performed by medical officers of the Departments of National Health and Welfare or Veterans Affairs. Where the services of these Departments are not available, such services may be provided by any qualified medical practitioner and the certificate of such practitioners will require approval by the Department of National Health and Welfare.

3. For personnel and their dependents returning to Canada from unhealthy posts additional hospital investigation may be required, in which case the Department of National Health and Welfare will authorize the payment of expenses by the Canadian Government.

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