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eMedical Launch and Other Information



eMedical Go Live - November 1, 2023

CDC in partnership with USCIS are pleased to announce the official start of Civil Surgeons entering records from Adjustment of Status applicants with a Tuberculosis classification into the eMedical system beginning, November 1, 2023. We appreciate your flexibility during this initiative and expect initial data entry to be limited due to onboarding time, adjustment period for learning how to use the eMedical system, and additional questions.

Tuberculosis classifications required for reporting include:

- Class A TB
- Class Bo, Pulmonary TB
- Class B1, Pulmonary TB
- Class B1, Extrapulmonary TB
- Class B2 TB, Latent TB Infection
- Class B, Other Chest Condition (non-TB)

Starting November 1, 2023, Civil Surgeons may use the eMedical System to enter specific sections of completed Form I-693 into the eMedical system, focusing on

demographic details and TB test results. Additionally, civil surgeons will upload the completed and signed Form I-693 PDF, interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA) test results and, when available, the chest x-ray. Note that some fields on the USCIS Form I-693 required list are not directly available in eMedical. Our team is working to incorporate additional fields in future system releases. Civil Surgeons are only required to report what is available in eMedical at the time of data entry.

A list of required fields can be found here: <u>Civil Surgeon eMedical Resource Site</u>



eMedical Onboarding

Close to 4,000 Civil Surgeons received an eMedical registration email. This email confirm access to the eMedical system. If you received your eMedical registration email, you have been successfully empaneled by CDC, and no further action is needed. Please follow the registration steps as outlined in the eMedical registration email. If you received your registration email but are experiencing technical issues logging in, please contact qapcivilsurgeons@cdc.gov.

There are several reasons why you may not have received an eMedical registration email:

- Your email address is missing, already in use by another civil surgeon, or listed as a generic office email. You will receive a notice from CDC or USCIS prompting you to update your email address.
- You have multiple emails linked to your USCIS profile. Please check all available email accounts.
- Your eMedical registration email was blocked or routed to spam or junk folders. Please check all available folders.
- You already have an eMedical account. CDC will manually empanel you and provide notification within 4 weeks.
- Your status as a Civil Surgeon has changed. USCIS will provide an official notice.

There is no penalty for delayed onboarding; however, your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

eMedical Training

Each civil surgeon will serve as both a Doctor and Clinic Administrator, enabling them to authorize designated staff members to enter data on their behalf. The CDC has established a comprehensive resource site, featuring help desk training materials, webinar recordings, and a direct link to the updated Civil Surgeon Technical Instructions. This resource site will be continuously updated to provide ongoing support and guidance as the initiative progresses.

You can access the resource site here: <u>Civil Surgeon eMedical Resource Site</u>

USCIS Adjustment of Status Program Reminders:

- eMedical data entry does not replace or change tuberculosis technical exam instructions for civil surgeons.
- Civil surgeons are still required to follow specific identification and form I-693 submission (sealed envelope) USCIS procedures.
- Civil surgeons are still required to report all tuberculosis classifications promptly to the health department of jurisdiction.
- Applicant eligibility is still determined by the DHS officer after reviewing all records, including the report of the medical examination.

Additional Questions

For any further queries or concerns about the process, please do not hesitate to contact us at qapcivilsurgeons@cdc.gov.



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