



Australian Government

Department of Home Affairs

Health undertaking

Form

815

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your undertaking. Once you have completed your undertaking we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

Who is required to sign a health undertaking?

A health undertaking is required for applicants whose health examination indicated exposure to tuberculosis or other health conditions of concern.

What is a health undertaking for?

Tuberculosis is a serious infectious disease of public concern in Australia. Tuberculosis can be treated and the purpose of this health undertaking is to ensure that persons at greater risk of developing active tuberculosis receive appropriate follow-up support once in Australia.

At the time of your assessment, our doctors were satisfied that you did not have active tuberculosis. However, individual risk factors mean that some people require follow-up in Australia to ensure the disease does not develop.

You may also have been issued with a health undertaking because of another health condition such as Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, HIV or Leprosy.

A health undertaking is an agreement that is made with the Australian Government, which obliges you to attend an appointment with a health authority clinic for a follow-up health examination. By signing this health undertaking you also agree to undergo any course of treatment or investigation that the health clinic directs.

You must contact the Health Undertaking Service (HUS) within 4 weeks of your arrival in Australia. If your visa was granted in Australia, you do not need to contact the HUS as you will already have been referred to an Australian health clinic by the Migration Medical Services Provider.

What do I do now?

Should you agree to abide by the health undertaking, you should sign this form and return it to the Department of Home Affairs (the Department) office processing your visa application.

If the applicant is a minor under 16 years of age then a parent or guardian should sign form 815.

You will then be provided with a copy of this form. Please keep the copy as you will need it when you contact the Health Undertaking Service after you arrive in Australia.

If I applied overseas, what happens after my visa is granted and I arrive in Australia?

The Australian Government provides **free** initial health checks to minimise the risk of spread of tuberculosis to close family, friends and the community. If the doctor thinks it is necessary, treatment for tuberculosis will be arranged.

Note: It is in your interest to make an appointment promptly.

If you completed your health examinations for this application outside Australia

You are required to contact the Health Undertaking Service (HUS) when you arrive in Australia. You must make an appointment with the HUS within 4 weeks of your arrival. For information on how to contact the HUS see <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/health-undertaking>

If you completed your health examinations for this application in Australia

If you are applying for your visa in Australia, when you sign this form you will have already been referred to an Australian health clinic for follow-up where required. You must simply report to that clinic as directed by the Migration Medical Services Provider.

What happens if my health condition changes?

If your condition changes, your visa will not be at risk. It is important that you attend the relevant health authority to comply with your health undertaking. The Department wants your condition to be treated successfully.

Why should I attend a health clinic?

It is in your best interests to comply with the requirements of your health undertaking. Your co-operation with the health undertaking is vital to assist the Australian Government to protect you, your family and the Australian community.

Important information about privacy

The *Privacy Act 1988* contains 13 Australian Privacy Principles which regulate the way that the Department collects and handles personal information. Information about how the Department collects, uses and discloses personal information for its key functions can be found in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. More information about the Department's general information handling practices (including form 1442i) can be found in the Department's Privacy policy at <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-and-accountability/our-commitments/privacy>

Please keep this information page for your reference

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Please read the information about your health undertaking on page 1 of this form.

Please open this form using Adobe Acrobat Reader. Either type (in English) in the fields provided or print this form and complete it (in English) using a pen and BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

Your details

1 Your full name

Family name []
Given names []

2 Date of birth

DAY MONTH YEAR []

3 Do you have a passport?

No []
Yes [] Give details

Passport number []

Country of passport []

Date of issue DAY MONTH YEAR []

Date of expiry []

Issuing authority/ Place of issue as shown in your passport []

Note: Most visa applicants will be required to hold a valid passport before they can be granted a visa. It is strongly recommended that the passport be valid for at least 6 months.

If you change your passport after you have been granted a visa you must notify the nearest Australian Visa Office or office of the Department.

WARNING: You will not be granted a visa without this information.

Office use only

HAP ID []
ICSE Client ID []

4 Contact details in Australia

Note: Give full residential address, including postcode and telephone number where possible. If you do not know what your address in Australia will be, you must give the name and address of a person in Australia who will know how to contact you (for example, a relative, a friend, your employer or a staff member at your proposed study institution).

Address []
[]
[] POSTCODE

Telephone numbers

Office hours (AREA CODE) []

After hours (AREA CODE) []

Mobile []

5 Do you agree to the Department communicating with you by fax, email, or other electronic means?

No []
Yes [] Give details

Fax number (AREA CODE) []

Email address []

6 Intended duration of stay in Australia

permanent []
temporary [] Indicate length of stay in Australia
months [] weeks [] days []

Client undertaking

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

7 I undertake the following:

- (for applicants outside Australia) to contact the Health Undertaking Service within 4 weeks of my arrival in Australia;
- to report to the health clinic to which I am referred;
- to place myself under the health clinic's professional supervision and to undergo any required course of treatment, chest x-ray examination or investigation;
- to inform that health clinic each time I change my address in Australia throughout the period during which my health is being monitored;
- to inform that health clinic whenever I am about to leave Australia and to report upon my return, throughout the period during which my health is being monitored; and
- (for applicants outside Australia) to inform the Australian Visa Office where I lodged my application if, before my departure, I change my contact details.

Note: If you are an applicant under 16 years of age then a parent or guardian should sign this form.

Your signature

DAY MONTH YEAR

Date

If signing on behalf of a child under 16 years of age –
Name of parent or guardian

Relationship to child

Consent for release of health information

8 As a part of the health undertaking the Department and state and territory health authorities and the relevant health clinic need to release health information to each other. Information will only be released if it relates to the visa and will be strictly guided by the *Privacy Act 1988*.

I consent to the Department disclosing my personal information to state and territory health authorities and the relevant health clinic for the purpose of monitoring this health undertaking.

I consent to authorise the state and territory health authorities and the relevant health clinic to disclose to the Department:

- the result of the health examination that I will attend; and
- information about any follow-up treatment required.

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Your signature

DAY MONTH YEAR

Date

If signing on behalf of a child under 16 years of age –
Name of parent or guardian

Relationship to child

You should keep a copy of your signed health undertaking.