



Manhattan Family Practice The Medical Examination for US Immigration

Who is the medical practitioner?

Dr Albert Levy, Manhattan Family Practice, is a designated Panel Physician for the US Citizenship and Immigration Services and conducts immigrant visa medical examinations at his office at 911 Park Avenue (at 80th Street). Dr Levy has been in private practice in New York City since 1986 and is listed as a **Top Doctor** in New York and America. He is well-known for his excellent caring skills and professional knowledge. He is assisted by an experienced medical staff including female doctors and Nurse Practitioners who will all ensure the process is carried out efficiently and professionally.

How do I arrange an appointment?

You may schedule an appointment by telephoning **212 288 7193** or emailing us at office@manhattanfamilypractice.com. **The office is open from Mondays through Fridays from 9am to 5pm.** You can email us at: office@manhattanfamilypractice.com. Same day appointments are sometimes available.

Where do I go for the medical?

The office is located at **911 Park Avenue**, on the SE corner of 80th Street and Park Avenue. The nearest subways are Lexington Avenue and 77th Street or Lexington Avenue and 86th. There are several parking garages located along 80th Street between First Avenue and Madison Avenue.

What does the physical examination entail?

The medical examination is conducted by the designated panel doctor with the assistance of his excellently trained and experienced staff. The doctor will record your complete **medical history** and perform a **physical examination**. All applicants 15 years of age and older are required to have **serologic (blood) tests** for syphilis, and urine tests for Gonorrhea and Chlamydia. (Applicants under age 15 may be tested for syphilis if there is reason to suspect the possibility of infection.)

As of **October 1, 2018** all patients 2 years of age and older will be required to have a blood test for Tuberculosis. (The PPD Skin test will no longer be accepted). We are set up to perform the new blood test **Quantiferon** for TB in our office at an additional fee. We can also bill this test to your medical insurance if they cover the code (see attached fee schedule).

During the months of October through March an **influenza vaccine (flu shot)** is required and is charged separately. If you have taken the flu vaccine elsewhere, please bring proof of vaccination.

The US government requires specific **vaccinations according to your age**. These vaccinations include mumps, measles, rubella, polio, tetanus, diphtheria toxoids, pertussis, influenza type B, hepatitis B, and any other vaccinations recommended by the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP).

As of October 2021, US Visa applicants must provide proof of Covid-19 vaccination.

Current ACIP recommendations also include the varicella, haemophilus influenzae type B, and pneumococcal vaccines. The doctor will review your vaccination history with you to determine whether you have all the required vaccinations. Make sure you bring your vaccination records with you to your appointment if available. (Please see separate sheet for all vaccination requirements when age appropriate.)

How much is the Medical Examination going to cost?

- The medical examination costs **\$300** which includes the syphilis (RPR) blood test, urine (gonorrhea and chlamydia) test and all administrative fees
- For the tuberculosis **Quantiferon** test there is an additional **\$95 fee. This can be charged to your insurance***
- If you require vaccinations, these will be charged separately and the fee schedule is attached.
- During the months of October through March an influenza vaccine is required and is charged in our office at **\$60** if no proof of immunization is provided.**

Payment must be made at the time of the medical examination by cash or credit card (Most credit and debit cards are accepted).

** These blood tests and vaccines can be billed to your insurance but is not necessarily covered. You may receive a bill from the laboratory if the charges are not covered by your particular insurance and you will be responsible for payment. Please check with us if you should have any questions relating to an unexpected laboratory bill.*

What happens if I miss my appointment or find that I need to change it?

We ask you to ensure that cancellations or changes are made with **at least 24 hours notice** as a courtesy to our doctors and staff and so that your appointment can be given to someone else.

What do I need to bring to the medical examination?

You are required to bring:

1. **Passport or Driving License**
2. **Vaccination Records** if available (including Covid Vaccination Certificates)
3. **Registration form (optional)**

Our office registration form is printed on page 5 of this package. You may print and fill this form out in advance and bring it with you to your appointment to save time.

How long will the examination take?

Please allow at least one hour for all the administrative and medical tasks to be completed during your appointment.

How long will it take for the medical results to be released?

In most cases, the medical report will be ready within 7-10 working days after your appointment date. You will be asked to collect your completed Form I-693 with the results in a sealed envelope to present to your lawyer or the INS. **Do not open the sealed envelope.**

Other Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to come in fasting for the blood test?

No, there is no need to fast before your appointment

What happens if I do not have any immunization records?

If you do not have your vaccination records, the doctor will advise you on the vaccines that are necessary to complete the process, depending on your age and as described separately. You can also do MMR titers through blood work to check on your immunity.

Do you accept my medical insurance to cover the medical examination fees?

Unfortunately the medical examination conducted for an immigrant visa application is not covered by medical insurances. We will submit some tests such as **Quantiferon, Flu Vaccine** and **MMR titers** to your insurance when possible. Please check with your insurance if they cover you for certain blood work as per the attached fee schedule.

Can I use the results of a recent medical examination from another practice at the time of my immigrant visa examination?

Regretfully not. Only a medical examination conducted by a Panel Physician and for the purpose of your immigrant visa is acceptable.

Do I need to bring in my Covid-19 Vaccination Certificate?

Yes, from October 2021, all US visa applicants need to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 and have completed the full series. Please bring in proof or make an appointment for your vaccine here or at other vaccination sites prior to your visit.

REMEMBER: Please allow 5-10 working days for the results and paperwork to be prepared. You will then be asked to collect your completed Form 1-693 with the results in a sealed envelope to give to your lawyer or the INS. Do not open the sealed envelope.

Thank you for choosing Manhattan Family Practice and we look forward to helping you with this important step in the immigration process.

If you have further questions please do not hesitate to call us on 212 288 7193

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FEES FOR US IMMIGRATION EXAMINATION
(in effect as of November 2nd 2021)

Physical Examination

(Includes all administrative and most required laboratory fees)

\$300.00

Quantiferon TB bloodtest*(sent to patient's insurance) \$ 95.00

Immunizations if needed and if age appropriate:

Influenza vaccine (required between Oct 1st - March 31st) \$ 60.00

TDAP (tetanus) \$ 60.00

MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella)** \$ 90.00

Pneumococcal – Adult \$150.00

Polio (IPV) \$175.00

Varicella *** \$150.00

Hepatitis B \$100.00

Meningococcal MCV \$130.00

Additional Blood tests can be billed to your insurance but are not necessarily covered. You will be responsible to pay the laboratory bill if the charges are not covered by your particular insurance.

***Check with your insurance if it covers the Quantiferon blood test – CPT code: 86480**

****Please provide proof of immunizations. If not available, you can either receive the vaccines or do MMR titers through blood work to check on your immunity. Check your insurance for coverage of this blood work – CPT codes: 86735, 86765, 86762**

***** If you have not had the Varicella (chicken pox) disease you can either receive the vaccine or do titers to check on immunity as above – CPT code: - 86787**

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Patient Information Form

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Social Security #: _____ - _____ - _____ Date of Birth: _____ - _____ - _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Sex: Male / Female (circle) Marital Status: Single / Married / Divorced / Widowed

Email Address: _____ @ _____ . _____

Home Phone: (____)-____-____ Work Phone: (____)-____-____ ext: _____

Mobile Phone: (____)-____-____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name: _____ Primary Phone Number: (____)-____-____

Relationship to patient: _____

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We will not disclose your medical records to others without your consent or unless the law authorizes or compels us to do so. Our **Notice of Privacy Practices** describes in greater detail how your health information may be used and disclosed. (Copies are available at the reception.)

I understand that I am financially responsible for the payment of medical services received. I may be responsible for any balance not covered by my insurance and I hereby authorize Manhattan Family Practice to furnish any necessary medical or incidental information concerning my medical care and treatment to my insurance carriers.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____
(Parent or Guardian if patient is a minor)

Table 1: Vaccine Requirements According to Applicant Age

Vaccines by applicant age	Birth– 1 month	2–11 months	12 months–6 years	7–10 years	11–17 years	18–64 years	≥ 65 years
DTP/DTaP/DT	NO	YES		No			
Td/Tdap	NO			Sometimes*	YES, substitute 1-time dose of Tdap for Td booster; then boost with Td or Tdap every 10 years		
Polio** (IPV/OPV)	NO	YES				NO	
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella	NO		YES, if born in 1957 or later			NO	
Rotavirus***	NO	YES 6 weeks through 8 months	NO				
Hib	NO	YES 2 through 59 months old		NO			
Hepatitis A	NO		YES 12 months through 18 years old			NO	
Hepatitis B	YES, through 59 years old					NO	
Meningococcal (MenACWY)	NO			Yes 11 through 18 years old		NO	
Varicella	NO		YES				
Pneumococcal	NO	YES, 2 through 59 months old (administer PCV)		NO			One dose PCV15 followed by PPSV23 or one dose PCV20
Influenza	NO, if less than six months old		YES, ≥ 6 months (annually when flu vaccine is available in country of exam)				
COVID-19	See the COVID-19 Technical Instructions for the details of this requirement.						

DTP=pediatric formulation diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and pertussis vaccine; DTaP=pediatric formulation diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine; DT=pediatric formulation diphtheria and tetanus toxoids; Td=adult formulation tetanus and diphtheria toxoids; Tdap=adolescent and adult formulation tetanus and diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine (*Children 7-10 years old sometimes need a dose of Tdap depending on their vaccine history. See [Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis-Containing Vaccines Catch-Up Guidance](#) on CDC's website for additional information). IPV=inactivated poliovirus vaccine (killed); OPV=oral poliovirus vaccine (live); Hib=*Haemophilus influenzae* type b conjugate vaccine; MenACWY=quadravalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine; PCV=pneumococcal conjugate vaccine; PPSV=pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine. ** Please see posted [Addendum to Technical Instructions for Panel Physicians for Vaccinations](#) on CDC's