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Medical and Health Program Files

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Description: a. Foreign Service Medical Program correspondence regarding financial matters

and post charges, including requests for medical supplies and equipment.

Disposition: Block annually. Destroy when 3 years old.

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B-06-000-01b Medical and Health Program Files

Description: b. All other correspondence regarding the Foreign Service Medical Program,

including inquiries regarding the Foreign Service Medical Insurance Program.

Disposition: Block annually. Destroy when 1 year old.

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B-06-000-02a(1) **Employee Medical Files**

Description: a. American Employees. Consists of forms, correspondence and related papers

documenting the employee medical history while at post. Original case files are

maintained at the Department.

(1) Transferred Employees - To Post with Foreign Service medical personnel.

NOTE: Original copies of medical reports where treatment of an illness or injury is

authorized at U.S. Government expense should be forwarded to M/MED immediately following receipt of examination findings. (See 3 FAM 685.5)

A record of all vaccinations administered to American employees which are required as part of employment or current position must be forwarded to M/MED for inclusion

in original case file.

Disposition: Forward to new Post. Address to medical personnel in charge.

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Employee Medical Files

Description:

- a. American Employees. Consists of forms, correspondence and related papers documenting the employee medical history while at post. Original case files are maintained at the Department.
- (2) Transferred Employees To Post without Foreign Service medical personnel.

NOTE: Original copies of medical reports where treatment of an illness or injury is authorized at U.S. Government expense should be forwarded to M/MED immediately following receipt of examination findings. (See 3 FAM 685.5)

A record of all vaccinations administered to American employees which are required as part of employment or current position must be forwarded to M/MED for inclusion in original case file.

Disposition:

Destroy post file 6 years after date of last papers in file.

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Employee Medical Files

Description:

- a. American Employees. Consists of forms, correspondence and related papers documenting the employee medical history while at post. Original case files are maintained at the Department.
- (3) Transferred Employees From Post to Department.

NOTE: Original copies of medical reports where treatment of an illness or injury is authorized at U.S. Government expense should be forwarded to M/MED immediately following receipt of examination findings. (See 3 FAM 685.5)

A record of all vaccinations administered to American employees which are required as part of employment or current position must be forwarded to M/MED for inclusion in original case file.

Disposition:

Destroy post file 6 years after date of last papers in file.

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B-06-000-02a(4) **Employee Medical Files**

Description:

a. American Employees. Consists of forms, correspondence and related papers documenting the employee medical history while at post. Original case files are maintained at the Department.

(4) Separated Employees.

NOTE: Original copies of medical reports where treatment of an illness or injury is authorized at U.S. Government expense should be forwarded to M/MED immediately following receipt of examination findings. (See 3 FAM 685.5)

A record of all vaccinations administered to American employees which are required as part of employment or current position must be forwarded to M/MED for inclusion in original case file.

Disposition:

Destroy post file 6 years after date of last papers in file.

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Employee Medical Files

Description:

b. Non-American Employees (includes Host Country employees and Third Country Nationals). Consists of forms, correspondence, and related papers documenting employee medical history, except pre employment, fitness for duty and disability retirement physical examinations, Health Qualification Placement Records, FS-569, Authorization for Medical Treatment or other report of physical examination, reports of on the job injuries, and records of medical examinations required for continued employment which become part of the Official Personnel Folder upon separation, but which may be maintained separately from the folder prior to separation.

(1) Transferred Employees - To Post with Foreign Service physician or nurse.

Disposition:

Forward to new Post. Address to medical personnel in charge.

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B-06-000-02b(2) **Employee Medical Files**

Description:

b. Non-American Employees (includes Host Country employees and Third Country Nationals). Consists of forms, correspondence, and related papers documenting employee medical history, except pre employment, fitness for duty and disability retirement physical examinations, Health Qualification Placement Records, FS-569, Authorization for Medical Treatment or other report of physical examination, reports of on the job injuries, and records of medical examinations required for continued employment which become part of the Official Personnel Folder upon separation, but which may be maintained separately from the folder prior to separation.

(2) Transferred Employees - To Post without Foreign Service medical personnel.

Disposition: Destroy post file 6 years after date of last papers in file.

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B-06-000-02b(3) **Employee Medical Files**

Description:

b. Non-American Employees (includes Host Country employees and Third Country Nationals). Consists of forms, correspondence, and related papers documenting employee medical history, except pre employment, fitness for duty and disability retirement physical examinations, Health Qualification Placement Records, FS-569, Authorization for Medical Treatment or other report of physical examination, reports of on the job injuries, and records of medical examinations required for continued employment which become part of the Official Personnel Folder upon separation, but which may be maintained separately from the folder prior to separation.

(3) Separated Employees.

Disposition: Destroy post file 6 years after last papers in file.

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B-06-000-02c **Employee Medical Files**

Description:

c. Files of private individuals such as Missionaries or American Tourists who

receive courtesy medical treatment.

Disposition: Transfer to inactive file 1 year after date of last treatment. Destroy when 6 years

old.

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B-06-000-03 Temporary or Short-Term Medical Records

Description: Consists of records relating to treatments or examinations received on a voluntary

basis for non job-related reasons; EXCEPT when such records result as a condition of employment or relate to an on-the-job occurrence. See FPM Chapter 293-31 for records generally not considered part of the EMFS, but may be included under

certain circumstances.

Disposition: Destroy 6 years after separation or transfer of employee.

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B-06-000-04 Non-occupational Individual Medical Case Files

Description: Medical Record, SF-539, Individual Health Record Card. Records of treatment or

examination created and maintained by a health care facility or dispensary documenting an individual's medical history, physical condition, vaccinations, and first-aid visits for nonworkrelated purposes. Also referred to as "patient records" in

Title 5 Part 293 Subpart E.

Legal Citations: American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) Recommended Retention Standards [Appendix D from the 2011 update] and 31

U.S.C. 3731(b), False Claims Act.

NOTE: May be filed with Employee Medical File or separately, depending on Post

requirements.

Disposition: Temporary. Destroy 10 years after the most recent encounter, but longer retention

is

authorized if needed for business use. (Supersedes GRS 1, item 19)

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B-06-000-05 Clinic Scheduling Records

Description: Scheduling records of clinic visits, both occupational and non-occupational.

Includes:

• patient's name, time of appointment, and type of work to be performed

• Daily Record Sheet - Register/log of visits to dispensaries or welfare rooms

• details for pending, confirmed, and upcoming appointments, including date, time,

clinic, care team and reason for visit
• notifications about appointment updates

• patient visit and other scheduling-related statistics

Disposition: Temporary. Destroy when 3 years old, but longer retention is authorized if needed

for business use. (Supersedes GRS 1, item 20a and GRS 1, item 20b)

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X-Ray Files

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Description: a. American Employees.

NOTE: X-Rays are long-term medical records to be retained for the duration of employment plus 30 years. See FPM Chapter 293-31 for detailed description of

long-term medical records and special filing procedures for X-Rays.

Disposition: Forward all X-Rays to M/MED, Attn: X-Ray Unit, immediately after transfer or

separation of employee.

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B-06-000-06b X-Ray Files

Description: b. Non-American Employees (Host Country employees and Third Country

Nationals).

Disposition: Destroy 6 years after separation if not turned over to patient at time of separation.

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06c

X-Ray Files

Description: c. Private individuals such as Missionaries or American tourists who receive

courtesy medical treatment.

Disposition: Destroy when 6 years old if not turned over to patient at time of treatment.

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B-06-000-07 Annual Health and Medical Information Report

Description: Consists of health and medical information sheets containing names of reputable

physicians and dentists, available hospitals and facilities, list of health hazards and precautionary measures, and other related information which may be of value to a

new employee.

Disposition: Destroy information that is superseded, obsolete, or no longer relevant.

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B-06-000-08 Job-related illness or injury

Description: Consists of copies of forms, medical records, and other documentation relating to a

job incurred illness or injury.

NOTE: See 3 FAM 689.6-5 for transmission of forms to the Bureau of Employee Compensation. Submit copy of report to M/MED for incorporation into the Employee

Medical Folder.

Disposition: Destroy 6 years from date of claim.

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B-06-000-09 Register/log of occupational illnesses and injuries

Description:

Disposition: Destroy 6 years following the end of the related fiscal year.

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B-06-000-10 Medical Evacuations (MEDEVACS)

Description: Consists of copies of FS-569, Authorization for Medical Treatment, requesting

medical evacuation for eligible Americans or dependents.

Disposition: Destroy when 1 year old.

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B-06-000-11 Medical Supply System

Description: Tracking system used to inventory medical supplies on hand.

Disposition: Destroy or delete information when no longer needed.

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