

Saudi Healthcare Professional Work Visa Process

A Step-by-Step Guide from Job Offer to Arrival in Saudi Arabia



TYPICAL VISA PROCESSING TIME

Once IHR receives the Visa Authorization (Tafweed) from the hospital, the complete Canadian visa process typically takes approximately **4–5 WEEKS**, provided all required documents are available and no additional information is requested by the Saudi Consulate.

STEP

TYPICAL TIMEFRAME

	1	Job Offer Accepted You accept the offer from the hospital in Saudi Arabia.	 Immediate
	2	Hospital Issues Visa Authorization (Tafweed) & Employment Contract The hospital obtains your Visa Authorization (Power of Attorney) and provides your signed Employment Contract.	 1 – 6 weeks
	3	Gather Required Documents Passport, photos, qualifications, contract, PR card/Work permit (if applicable), and completed Consulate forms.	 2 – 3 weeks
	4	DataFlow Verification* Primary Source Verification (DataFlow) to verify your qualifications and work history.	 4 – 8 weeks
	5	SCFHS Professional Classification* Obtain your SCFHS (Mumaris) Professional Classification Certificate.	 1 – 3 weeks
	6	Medical Examination Complete the Saudi Consulate Medical Report including tests for HBsAg, HCV Ab, HIV, TB & VDRL: Negative results required.	 1 – 3 weeks
	7	Police Clearance Certificate Obtain an original Police Clearance Certificate.	 1 – 2 weeks
	8	Enjaz Registration Your information is entered into the Saudi electronic visa platform (Enjaz) by the visa agent.	 1 – 3 days
	9	Submit to Saudi Consulate The complete application package is submitted to the Saudi Consulate for review.	 1 – 2 days
	10	e-Visa Issued (PDF) Once approved, your Saudi employment e-Visa is issued electronically.	 1 – 4 days
	11	Travel to Saudi Arabia Print your e-Visa and travel to Saudi Arabia.	 As per travel arrangements
	12	Hospital Processes Iqama (Residence Permit) Your hospital processes your Iqama. <i>Issued within 90 days of arrival.</i>	 Within 90 days of arrival
	13	Start Your New Career Complete your orientation and begin your journey as a healthcare professional in Saudi Arabia.	 After hospital onboarding

* DataFlow Verification and SCFHS Professional Classification are typically completed before employment visa processing begins. The timeframes shown are for applicants who have not yet completed these requirements.



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