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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to follow up on my previous inquiry regarding the medical exam requirement for my client's work permit. In your earlier response, I received a general explanation concerning criteria for requiring a medical exam; however, my specific question was not addressed.

My question is if they currently hold a work permit with no restrictions indicated, particularly in relation to areas that typically require a medical exam (e.g., healthcare, childcare). Could you please clarify whether, under these circumstances, they are required to undergo a medical exam to maintain or extend their work permit?

Your guidance on this matter is greatly appreciated as they aim to ensure full compliance with IRCC regulations. If additional information is needed, please let me know.

[redacted]. I [redacted] to your response.

Best regards,

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Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-[redacted]C[redacted]gc.ca>

Good day,

A foreign national may need a medical exam to get a work permit if any of these situations apply to them:

1. they wish to work in any job where it is important to protect public health, such as
   - health services
   - child care or
   - primary or secondary education
2. they'll work in an agricultural job, and they have lived in a designated country or territory.
3. they want to work in Canada for more than 6 months, and they lived in a designated country or territory for 6 consecutive months during the year right before the date they intend to enter Canada.

If they've got an open work permit and didn't get a medical exam, but they now want to work in a job that requires a medical exam, they can follow these instructions.

They must:

- get an upfront medical exam
  - An exam is considered "upfront" if they get it before the case processing centre asks them to.
- include a short letter that explains why they need the restriction removed (to work in a job that requires an exam)
  - If they are applying online, include this letter when they are asked to upload their documents.
- submit an application to change your work permit conditions, with all the required documents
  - On the IMM 5710 form, for 1 a) **under "Details of intended work in Canada", select "Other".**
  - Also on the IMM 5710 form, for 1 b) **under "Other", write that you need the conditions removed** (not authorized to work in childcare, primary/secondary school teachings, health service field occupations).

More information can be found in the following links:

- Do I need a medical exam to get a work permit?
- I want to work in a job that requires a medical exam, but I already have my work permit or authorization. What do I do?
- Medical exams for visitors, students and workers - Canada.ca

We hope that this information is helpful to you.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

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From:
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Subject: Inquiry Regarding Medical Examination Requirements and Removing Restrictions on PGWP

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My name is (RCIC License), and I am writing regarding a client's open work permit (OWP-PGWP). Specifically, their OWP does **not** list any conditions restricting them from working in healthcare, childcare, or other occupations that typically require a medical examination.

I would greatly appreciate clarification on the following:

1. **Authorization to Work in Healthcare/Childcare**
    - Given that no restrictions are listed on my client's OWP, may they legally work in healthcare, childcare, or any occupation that would normally require a medical exam without first undergoing a new medical examination?
2. **Procedure for Ensuring Compliance**
    - If there is still a requirement to complete an immigration medical exam, even when the OWP does not explicitly state a restriction, could you please direct me to the relevant process or instruction (e.g., whether an "amendment" of status is needed or if they must apply to remove any implicit conditions)?
3. **IRCC Guidance**
    - Are there any official IRCC publications or program delivery instructions that clarify whether an OWP without a listed restriction automatically grants the holder the right to work in these fields?

Any guidance or references to IRCC's official instructions would be most helpful. I want to ensure my client remains fully compliant with Canadian immigration regulations and provincial employment requirements.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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