# For Nationals of the Philippines, Vietnam, and Nepal Notice on Japan Pre Entry Tuberculosis Screening (JPETS)

### 1. Overview

JPETS is a requirement introduced for mid- to long-term residents from designated countries. Applicants from these countries must submit a "TB Clearance Certificate" proving they are not infected with tuberculosis when applying for a Certificate of Eligibility (COE).

- The certificate must be issued by the designated panel clinics in their countries.
- The certificate is valid for 180 days from the date of the TB screening.
  - \* Depending on the conditions, the validity period may be limited to 90 days.
- Please check the websites listed in "4. Related Links" for the latest details.

## 2. Who Is Subject to This Requirement

This requirement applies to those holding the following nationalities and planning to stay in Japan for the mid to long term:

Nationality	Start Date of Requirement
Philippines, Nepal	From applicants enrolling in October 2025
Viet Nam	From applicants enrolling in April 2026
Indonesia, Myanmar, China	TBD

#### 3. Procedure

Applicants must undergo tuberculosis (TB) screening at one of the designated panel clinics listed on the webpage above in their respective countries. The "TB Clearance Certificate" must be dated between one month prior to the application deadline and the deadline itself. Once the certificate is obtained, a scanned copy must be submitted to the HUSTEP email address (hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp).

- If the TB screening is conducted too early, the certificate may expire before the COE application. If conducted too late, the certificate may not be issued in time for the COE application deadline. Therefore, please schedule your screening accordingly so that the date of certification on the "TB Clearance Certificate" falls between one month prior to the application deadline and the deadline itself.
- If TB is detected just before enrollment, their arrival in Japan may be significantly delayed or canceled. Therefore, we strongly recommend undergoing TB screening at an early stage, separate from the COE application process.
- If applicants hold the nationality listed on 2. but currently reside in a country or region outside the designated areas, they are not required to submit" TB Clearance Certificate ". However, a different document will be required.

### 4. Related Links

- Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare: Special Site on Japan Pre-Entry Tuberculosis Screening
- Immigration Services Agency: Schedule for the start of pre-entry tuberculosis screening