



USMLE® Step 2 Clinical Skills (CS) Travel Information for Philadelphia
Additional Travel Information for
Examinees Traveling to the United States to Take Step 2 CS

Travel Status

Examinees are responsible for making the necessary travel and accommodation arrangements. If you are neither a citizen nor lawful permanent resident of the United States, you are responsible for obtaining required travel documents. These documents may include a visa to enter the United States. The requirements of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. embassies and consulates regarding issuance of visas and travel to and from the United States are subject to change. You should review current requirements before applying for a visa. For additional information, visit the DHS website at www.dhs.gov and the embassies and consulates page of the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs website at http://www.usembassy.gov.

Step 2 CS applicants registered by ECFMG® can request a letter that may assist during the process of applying for a visa. The letter indicates that the applicant is registered for Step 2 CS, one of the exams required for ECFMG Certification. The letter also indicates that the applicant is required to travel to the United States to take the exam and provides the date by which the applicant must complete the exam. You can request this letter when you apply for Step 2 CS. After you have completed the registration process, the letter will be available via IWA.

If you are traveling from a distant location, you should consider arriving a day or two prior to taking Step 2 CS in order to be rested for the exam.

Time Zone

Philadelphia is in the Eastern time zone of the United States.

Currency Exchange

There are Travelex locations in the Philadelphia International Airport terminals A, B, and D, and in downtown Philadelphia where you can make currency exchange transactions.

1800 John F. Kennedy Boulevard (215) 563-7348

ATM machines are available throughout Philadelphia International Airport.

Tipping

It is recommended to tip waitresses, waiters, and other service personnel a minimum of 15 percent.

Metric Conversion

One mile is equal to 1.6 kilometers.

Additional Information

All examinees should refer to USMLE® Step 2 Clinical Skills (Step 2 CS) Travel Information for Philadelphia, available at www.usmle.org.

Selected Consulates and Embassies

Table listing countries and their phone numbers, such as Argentina (212) 603-0400, Australia (212) 351-6500, etc.

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*The Philadelphia CSEC Center has two locations. Your confirmation notice will indicate to which location you should report for your testing session.