

HIV free certificates will be valid for 12 months

June 7, 2022 The Ministry of Health of Russia published an order extending the validity of certificates of the absence of HIV infection from 3 months to a year

In continuation of our <u>news</u>, we inform you that on June 7, 2022 <u>the Order of the Ministry of Health of Russia of April 19, 2022 No. 268n</u> "On Amendments to the Order of the Ministry of Health of Russia of November 17, 2021 No. 1060n "On Approving the Requirements for a Certificate..." was published. Now certificates of the absence of HIV, presented by foreign citizens and stateless persons upon entry into Russia, will be valid for 12 months from the date of issue.

Corresponding changes have been made to the form of the certificate. In addition, the form of the certificate itself now indicates the period of its validity.

Previously issued certificates remain valid.

Meanwhile, the amending documents have not eliminated one curious inconsistency.

In moment 5, paragraph 1 of Order No. 1060n, it is still stipulated that a certificate of the absence of HIV should be issued based on the results of a medical examination, the procedure for which was approved by Order of the Ministry of Health No. 384n of June 29, 2015 canceled on March 1, 2022. Namely, the reference to the invalid order of medical examination was not replaced by a reference to the valid procedure.

It turns out, according to the current version of official documents, nowhere is a certificate of the absence of HIV infection described, which should be issued as a result of a medical examination carried out in accordance with the new procedure that is relevant today.

Because the certificate of the absence of HIV infection, which is established in the amended Order No. 1060n, is issued as a result of an examination conducted in accordance with the canceled Order, and not as a result of a medical examination conducted in accordance with the valid procedure.

We believe that the lack of a reference in Order No. 1060n to the valid procedure for medical examination as an event, the result of which should be the issuance of a certificate in a new form, is an omission and should be corrected.

We are closely monitoring the publication of relevant amending documents and will keep you posted as they become available.

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