

**To applicants whose nationality is from the Philippines / Nepal / Vietnam / Indonesia / Myanmar / China**

**[This information is current as of March 2025. It will be updated as needed in accordance with notifications from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW).]**

## Notice on Japan Pre-Entry Tuberculosis Screening (JPETS)

### 1. Overview

When applying for the Certificate of Eligibility (COE), those who are required to take JPETS must submit a "TB Clearance Certificate" in addition to the usual application documents in order to prove that they are not infected with tuberculosis(TB).

For details about JPETS, please refer to the following website provided by MHLW:

◇[Special website for JPETS](#)

◇[Japan Pre-Entry Tuberculosis Screening \(JPETS\)](#)

### 2. Those who must take JPETS

Principles	JPETS is required when all of the following conditions are met; - Those applying for COE (including reapplicants) to stay in Japan for more than three months. - Nationals of the TB screening target countries* designated by the MHLW.
Exceptions	- Nationals of the TB screening target countries, <u>but are currently residing in another country</u> (only if they can provide proof of residence, such as Resident Permit, of a country or region other than the TB screening target countries) - MEXT Scholarship Students selected under the Embassy Recommendation category - Individuals with dual nationality, including Japanese and the nationality of the TB screening target country.

\*TB screening target countries and the Submission Schedule

TB screening target countries	Starting date of the submission of "TB Clearance Certificate"
Philippines / Nepal	from June 23, 2025
Vietnam	from September 1, 2025
Indonesia / Myanmar / China	to be announced

### 3. Required Procedures

- Applicants with JPETS requirements must undergo TB screening at the [designated panel clinics](#) in their countries and obtain a "TB Clearance Certificate". This certificate must be submitted along with the other COE application documents by the specified deadline and in the specified manner.
- Applicants must visit the clinic between **"October 1<sup>st</sup> 2025"** and **"the submission deadline for the COE application documents, as specified by the school"**.
  - If the TB screening is conducted too early, there is a risk that the certificate's validity may expire before the COE application since the "TB Clearance Certificate" is valid for 180 days.
  - If the TB screening is conducted too late, the "TB Clearance Certificate" may not be issued in time to meet the COE application deadline. Applicants are advised to plan well in advance.

#### 4. Others

- If applicants are infected with TB and are unable to obtain the "TB Clearance Certificate", they must contact the enrolling undergraduate or graduate school at Waseda as soon as possible.
- Waseda University allows a special leave of absence (with no tuition and other expenses) for those who cannot receive the "TB Clearance Certificate" due to infection and cannot enter Japan.
- If applicants should discover just before enrollment that they have contracted tuberculosis and are unable to enter Japan, it could significantly impact their subsequent plans. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that applicants undergo a TB screening at an early stage, separate from the COE application process, to confirm that they are not affected by the disease before proceeding with the application steps.