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Medical report for return / removal[1]

The form is available online in English (sams.ch/removal), German (samw.ch/wegweisungsvollzug), French (assm.ch/execution-du-renvoi), and Italian (on the aforementioned websites). For nationwide use in Switzerland as of 1 January 2026.

For better readability, this form must be filled out electronically.

Attending physicians are legally bound to forward current health data available at the time of the request if the data are deemed relevant in assessing an individual's fitness for travel.[2] They will send the health data directly to the medical officer responsible for deciding whether the person is fit to travel (see contact details below). Additional medical checks are not required.

If no health data relevant to the assessment of fitness for travel are available, only items 1, 2, and 3 of the form need to be completed. The form should be signed and submitted to the requesting party. The patient's consent is not required for this.

1. Patient data

Type N permit no.

First name, Last name

Sex

Date of birth Citizenship

Interpreter required Yes ◯ No ◯

2. Contact details of attending physician

First name, Last name

Contact for enquiries

Tel. or E-mail

[1] Applies to individuals with a legally binding return decision and is not identical to the medical report for persons with a pending asylum procedure.
[2] Art. 71b of the Federal Act on Foreign Nationals and Integration (FNIA; SR 142.20) in connection with Art. 15p of the Ordinance on the Enforcement of the Removal and Expulsion of Foreign Nationals (OERE; SR 142.281). For more information, see the explanations on Art. 71b FNIA given in the Federal Council Dispatch on the Amendment of the Asylum Act BBl 2014 7991 as well as SAEZ 2022;103(2526):845–8 and SAEZ 2022; 103(2526):845-8 and SAEZ 2025; 106(29):2-4.

3. Are there any current health data that may be deemed relevant to assessing the person's fitness for travel within the context of removal?

Yes ◯ No ◯

If there are no relevant health data ('No' selected), please sign the form here. There is no need to fill out the remaining items on this form.

Date Signature[3]

→ Please sign and electronically submit this form to the requesting party.

If there are relevant health data ('Yes' selected), please proceed to item 4.

[3] If no electronic signature is possible, you may also scan and submit this form via secure e-mail.

Items 4 and 5 should only be answered if current health data are available that are relevant to assessing the person's fitness for travel in the context of removal.

If relevant health data are available, the medical confidentiality in accordance to Art. 321 of the Swiss Criminal Code must be maintained. The attending physician must inform the person required to leave Switzerland of the importance and necessity of forwarding health data and will request the corresponding consent. **The patient's consent to forward health data** should be indicated in item 4a.

In some instances, sharing health data is in the patient's best medical interest but the data cannot be forwarded either because the patient does not consent to the disclosure (despite being explicitly advised to do so) or because the patient is unable to give consent on account of their incapacity to make sound judgments. In such cases, the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences (SAMS), the Swiss Medical Association (FMH) and the Conference of Swiss Prison Doctors (KSG) recommend that **medical confidentiality be waived** by the authorised cantonal health agency and that this form of approval be indicated in item 4b. The attending physician must submit the relevant waiver request without delay and notify the cantonal enforcement authority.

However, based on the current legal situation[4], the federal and cantonal authorities are of the opinion that no formal waiver of medical confidentiality is required.

It is not the attending (prison) doctors who assess the person's fitness for travel; this is the task of the medical officer (currently Oseara AG) who acts on behalf of the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) in assuming medical responsibility for assessing and determining[5] the person's fitness for travel within the context of removal or expulsion.

4. Consent for the forwarding of health information to the responsible medical officer[6]

Given by the patient

Yes ◯ No ◯ Date

Given by the responsible cantonal health agency[7]

This is only required if sharing health data is considered to be in the patient's best interest, medically speaking, but the data cannot be forwarded either because the patient does not consent to the disclosure (despite being expressly advised to do so) or because the patient is unable to give consent on account of his or her inability to make sound judgments.

Yes ◯ No ◯ Date

[4] See footnote 2.
[5] Art. 71b FNIA and Art. 15p OERE.
[6] According to Art. 15p OERE.
[7] In all cantons, the corresponding cantonal department of health is responsible for relieving medical professionals of their obligation to maintain medical confidentiality. Each canton has its own organisational arrangements determining the specific agency responsible for this. A list of links to the relevant cantonal health agencies and form templates can be found here (sams.ch/professional-confidentiality-waiver).

5. Health data

a. Specified discomfort

☐ Not known

b. Current illnesses/diagnoses (somatic, psychiatric, infectious diseases, etc.)

☐ Not known

c. Current medication, dosage and start date of medication

☐ Not known

d. Addictive disorders (substances, dosages, substitutes)
☐ Not known

e. Number of visits to the doctor in the last 2 months

◯ None
◯ 1-2 ◯ >2

If any visits, please indicate the reasons (if relevant regarding fitness for travel or removal):

Date of last scheduled appointment

f. Hospital stays in the past 2 months

◯ Yes ◯ No ◯ Not known

If any hospital stays, when (if relevant in assessing fitness for travel within the context of removal):

from to

g.	Disabilities / functional limitations (walking, seeing, hearing and speech impairments, necessary aids: wheelchair, walking frame, etc.)

☐ Not known

h.	Recommendations on required[8] and suitable handling during transport (e.g. medication) and follow-up (e.g. follow-up treatment in the country of destination, medication, etc. with an indication of timeframe: without delay, within a few days, within a few months); these recommendations are non-binding and there is no need to ascertain what follow-up medical treatment may be required in the destination country.

Recommendations:

Next scheduled appointment:

[8] In the event of a (newly emerged) illness that could seriously jeopardise the patient's health if left untreated, the attending physician should advise the person concerned to forward his/her health data to the cantonal migration authorities.

6. Doctor’s comments

Date Signature[9]

Should any questions arise, the medical officer (Oseara AG) responsible for deciding on the person's fitness for travel may contact you using the contact details provided on page 1.

→ Please e-mail the completed form with the information requested in items 1 – 5 to: oseara@hin.ch

You may send an invoice to the requesting authority to cover your expenses.

[9] If no electronic signature is possible, you may also scan and submit this form to Oseara AG via secure e-mail.