

## Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

Re: The Expenses Borne by Travellers in the Case Where the Traveller Is or Is Suspected to be Infected with a Dangerous Communicable Disease or Epidemic, or is a Carrier of the Disease

B.E. 2567 (2024)

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Whereas it is deemed appropriate to prescribe criteria, procedures, and conditions of responsibility of travellers for payment of expenses in the case where the communicable disease control officer stationed at the international communicable disease control checkpoint finds that a traveller is infected or is reasonably suspected of being infected with a dangerous communicable disease or an epidemic, or a traveller is a carrier of a disease, and the communicable disease control officer stationed at the international communicable disease control checkpoint has issued an orders for the person to be isolated, quarantined or controlled for observation, or to receive immunisation, as the case may be.

By virtue of section 5, paragraph one; section 7 (4); and section 42, paragraph two of the Communicable Diseases Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), the Minister of Public Health, with the approval of the National Communicable Disease Committee, hereby issues the Notification as follows:

**Clause 1.** This Notification is called the “Notification of the Ministry of Public Health Re: The Expenses Borne by Travellers in the Case Where the Traveller Is or Is Suspected to be Infected with a Dangerous Communicable Disease or Epidemic, or is a Carrier of the Disease, B.E. 2567 (2024)”.

**Clause 2.** This Notification shall come into force after the expiration of thirty days from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

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**Clause 3.** In the case where the communicable disease control officer stationed at the international communicable disease control checkpoint finds a traveller is or is reasonably suspected of being infected with a dangerous communicable disease or an epidemic, or a traveller is a carrier of the disease, and the communicable disease control officer stationed at the international communicable disease control checkpoint orders such person to be isolated, quarantined or controlled for observation, or to receive immunisation under section 42, paragraph one of the Communicable Diseases Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), and such actions incur expenses, the traveller shall be responsible for the actual expenses incurred. However, this does not affect the traveller's rights or claims as provided by law.

**Clause 4.** The expenses incurred under Clause 3 include:

- (1) Transportation expenses for relocating travellers in the conveyance for the purpose of isolation, quarantine, control for observation, or immunisation, and expenses for cleaning the conveyance used for transportation for the purpose of disinfection, including parking fees for the conveyance;
- (2) Medical examination expenses;
- (3) Medical treatment expenses;
- (4) Medical material expenses;
- (5) Immunisation expenses;
- (6) Expenses for using facilities for the purpose of quarantine, isolation, or control for observation;

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(7) Expenses for cleaning or sanitising the facilities used for quarantine, isolation, or control for observation, or for managing sanitation at such facilities;

(8) Expenses for cleaning, storing, transporting, or destroying objects, items, equipment, or animals;

(9) Care and maintenance expenses;

(10) Other necessary expenses.

**Clause 5.** The Director-General of the Department of Disease Control shall be responsible for the enforcement of this Notification. In the event of any issues arising regarding the implementation of this Notification, the Director-General of the Department of Disease Control shall have the authority to make final decisions and issue orders or judgments, and such decisions or judgments shall be final.

Announced on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of November, B.E. 2567 (2024)

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