



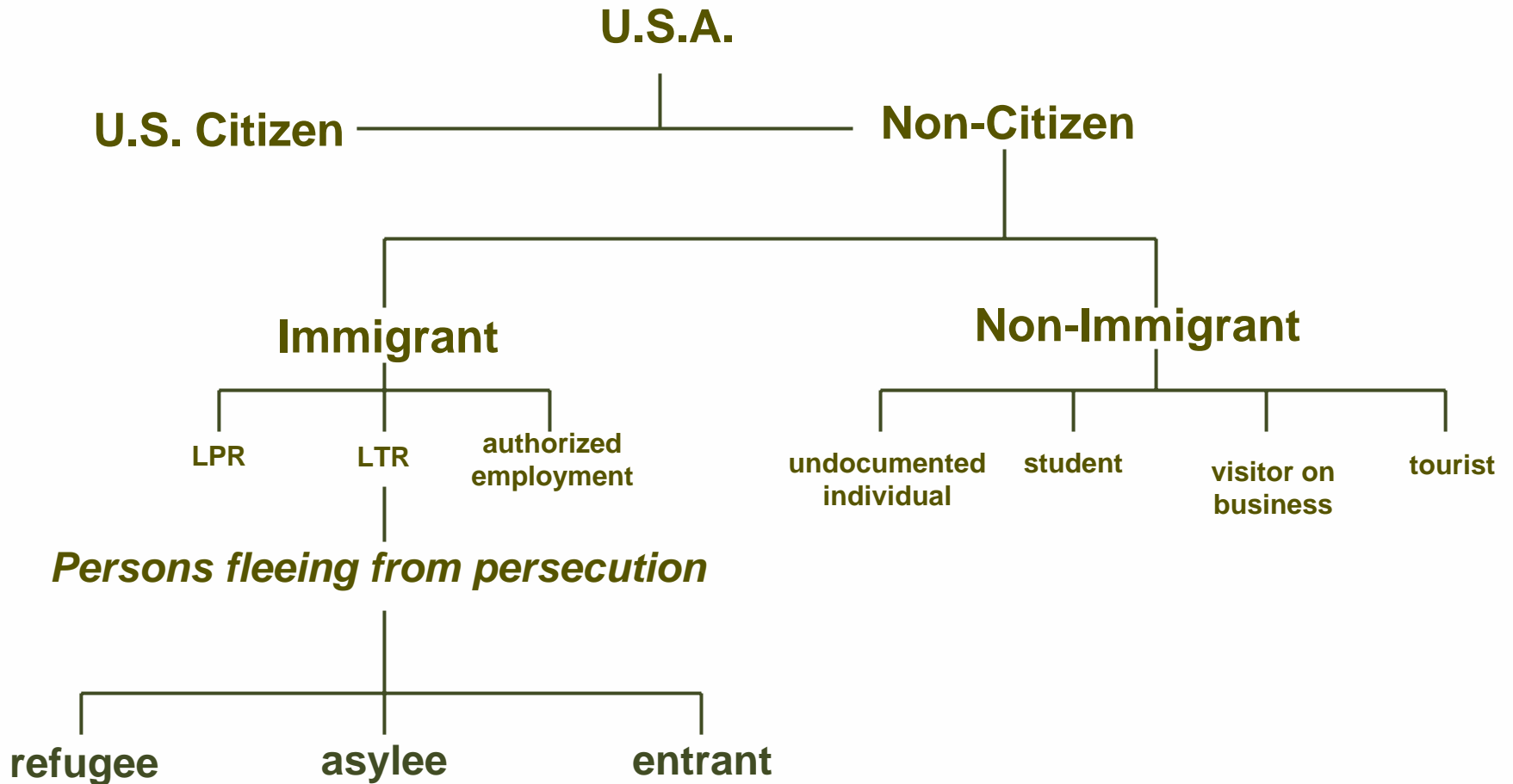
"A New Home,  
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# Pathways to the U.S.

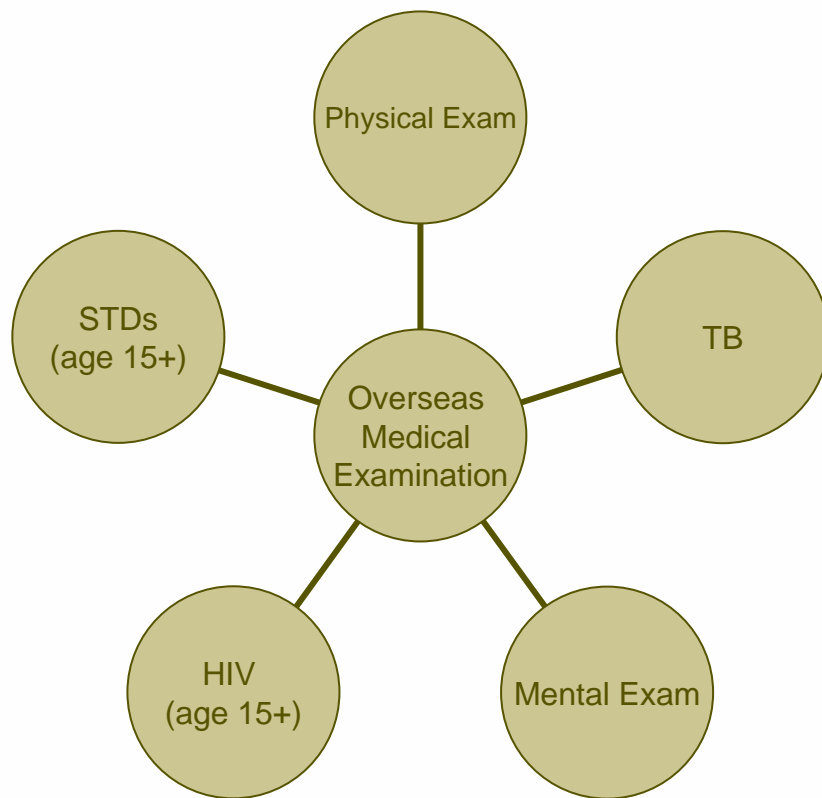
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Source:

Minnesota Refugee Health Program

# Overseas Medical Examination



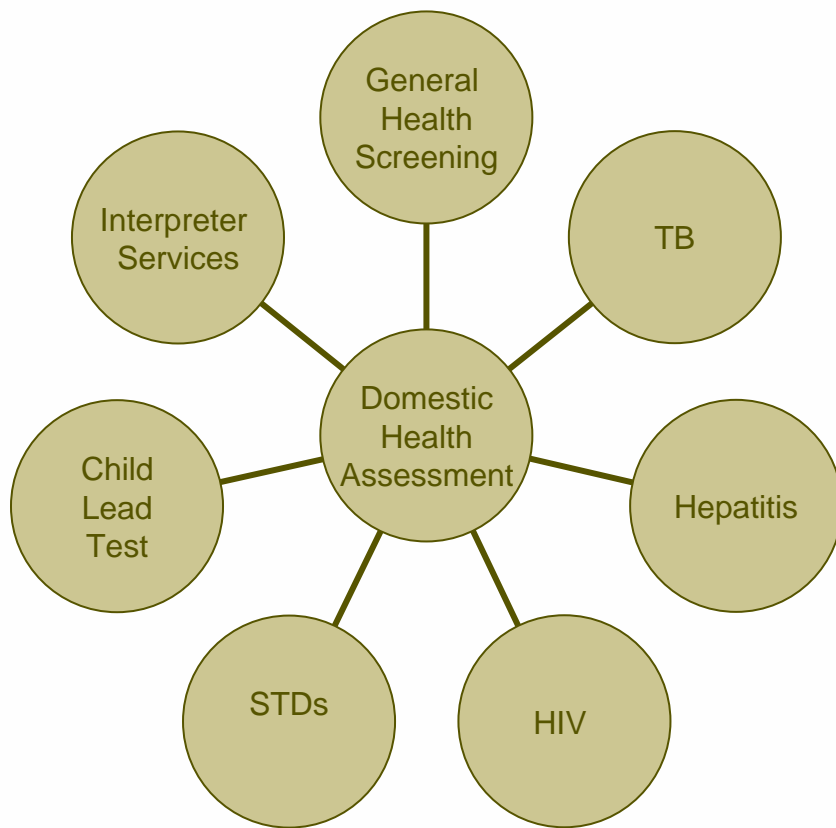
- U.S.-bound refugees must have a physical and mental examination as part of the travel visa application process.
- Focus: to identify the presence or absence of certain disorders that could result in exclusion from the United States.

# Florida Refugee Health Program



**Mission: Provide culturally sensitive health services for refugees to enhance personal health status and protect Florida's public health.**

# Domestic Health Assessment



- The domestic (post-arrival) health assessment is **NOT** mandatory, but highly recommended.
- Focus: to improve the health of refugees so that they can become economically self-sufficient.
- There is no charge to program eligible clients.
- Protects public health and offers refugees an introduction to the U.S. health care system.

# Eligibility Requirements



- **IMMIGRATION STATUS**
  - Refugee
  - Asylee
  - Cuban/Haitian Asylum Applicant
  - Cuban/Haitian Entrant
  - Amerasian
  - Victim of Trafficking
  - Unaccompanied Refugee Minor
  - Unaccompanied Alien Minor
- **TIME LIMITS**
  - Health Assessment-within 90 days of arrival
  - Immunizations-started within 8 months of arrival



## New Arrivals Eligible for Refugee Health Services, by Country of Origin, Florida, 2006

