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Public Consultation for the WSH Guidelines on Statutory Medical Examinations

Ref : <https://www.tal.sg/wshc/media/announcements/2025/public-consultation-for-the-wsh-guidelines-on-statutory-medical-examinations>

On 7th November, the WSH Council in collaboration with the Ministry of Manpower, has revised and updated the WSH Guidelines on Statutory Medical Examination (<https://www.tal.sg/wshc/-/media/tal/wshc/media/pdf/draft-wsh-guidelines-on-statutory-medical-examinations-20251108.ashx>). Updates include:

- New sections that provide guidance to designated work doctors (DWDs) and employers on assessing the need for medical surveillance
- Reorganised content to guide employers, WSH professionals and DWDs on the purpose and implementation of a medical surveillance programme
- Expanded guidance on managing abnormal laboratory results

Practitioners, industry stakeholders, and members of the public to share feedback and email your completed public consultation form (<https://www.tal.sg/wshc/-/media/tal/wshc/media/pdf/public-consultation-form---draft-wsh-guidelines-on-statutory-medical-examinations-20251108.ashx>) to contact@wshc.sg by 6 December 2025.

Sustainability in Singapore – Data Centres

Ref : <https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/environment/jurong-island-sets-aside-10-of-land-for-new-energies-and-20ha-for-spores-largest-green-data-centre?ref=singapore>



EDB and JTC announced on 29 Oct that Jurong Island to host S'pore's largest green data centre park; 10% of land set aside for new energies

The land areas set aside for new energies are largely in the south-west and north-west of Jurong Island.

Jurong Island will allocate 300ha (10% of land) for new energies like hydrogen-ready natural gas and ammonia, plus 20ha for greener data centres.

Jurong Island aims for a 1.5X increase in sustainable goods output by 2030 (currently at 1.4 times) and top-quartile energy efficiency for refineries.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

In the revised 315-page WSH Guidelines on Statutory Medical Examinations, details have been expanded on the appropriate actions to take when laboratory results are abnormal, offering clearer guidance for designated workplace doctors (DWDs). In addition, new guidance has been introduced to support DWDs in helping employers determine whether ongoing medical surveillance for specific hazards remain necessary.

A third of Singapore's GHG emissions are from refining and petrochemicals sector on Jurong Island. The global petrochemical sector is facing a downcycle, amid oversupply and tightening climate regulations, accelerating decarbonisation. This largest green data centre park will provide up to 700MW of power capacity for the facilities. Average data centres require 5MW-10MW of energy. Operators can leverage such shared energy storage infrastructure and utilities, as well as emerging low-carbon energy sources,