



IOM International Organization for Migration

BURUNDI

MIGRATION HEALTH ASSESSMENT CENTRE

The Migration Health Assessment Centre (MHAC), in Bujumbura provides the opportunity to promote the health of migrants through the initiation of preventative and curative interventions for conditions that if left untreated, could have a negative impact on the migrant's health and/or on the public health of the host communities.

The programme addresses individual health and safety, and manages conditions of public health concern, as individuals move across geographical, health system and epidemiological boundaries.

As part of the health assessment, pre-embarkation checks and pre-departure medical screenings are performed in order to assess a migrant's fitness to travel and/or to provide medical clearance.

These measures also ensure that migrants are linked to and given appropriate referrals to medical services once they have arrived in their destination countries.

Migrants who need medical assistance and care during travel are escorted by health professionals to avoid complications during transit.

MHAC Bujumbura provides travel health assessments for the following receiving countries:

- United States of America;
- United Kingdom;
- Australia;
- Canada;
- Belgium

The IOM panel physicians administer or oversee the administration of comprehensive health assessment services that involve medical screening, review of the migrants' medical history,

preventative or curative treatment, counselling and health education, and final preparation of required immigration health forms.

Medical screenings serve to detect and diagnose health conditions of concern, such as tuberculosis (TB), sexually-transmitted infections (STIs), HIV/AIDS, mental health, substance abuse or certain chronic illnesses.

As such conditions may be considered inadmissible by destination country governments; IOM provides treatment or referrals for treatment. Upon successful completion of treatment, migrants are able to continue the resettlement process.

IOM IN ACTION

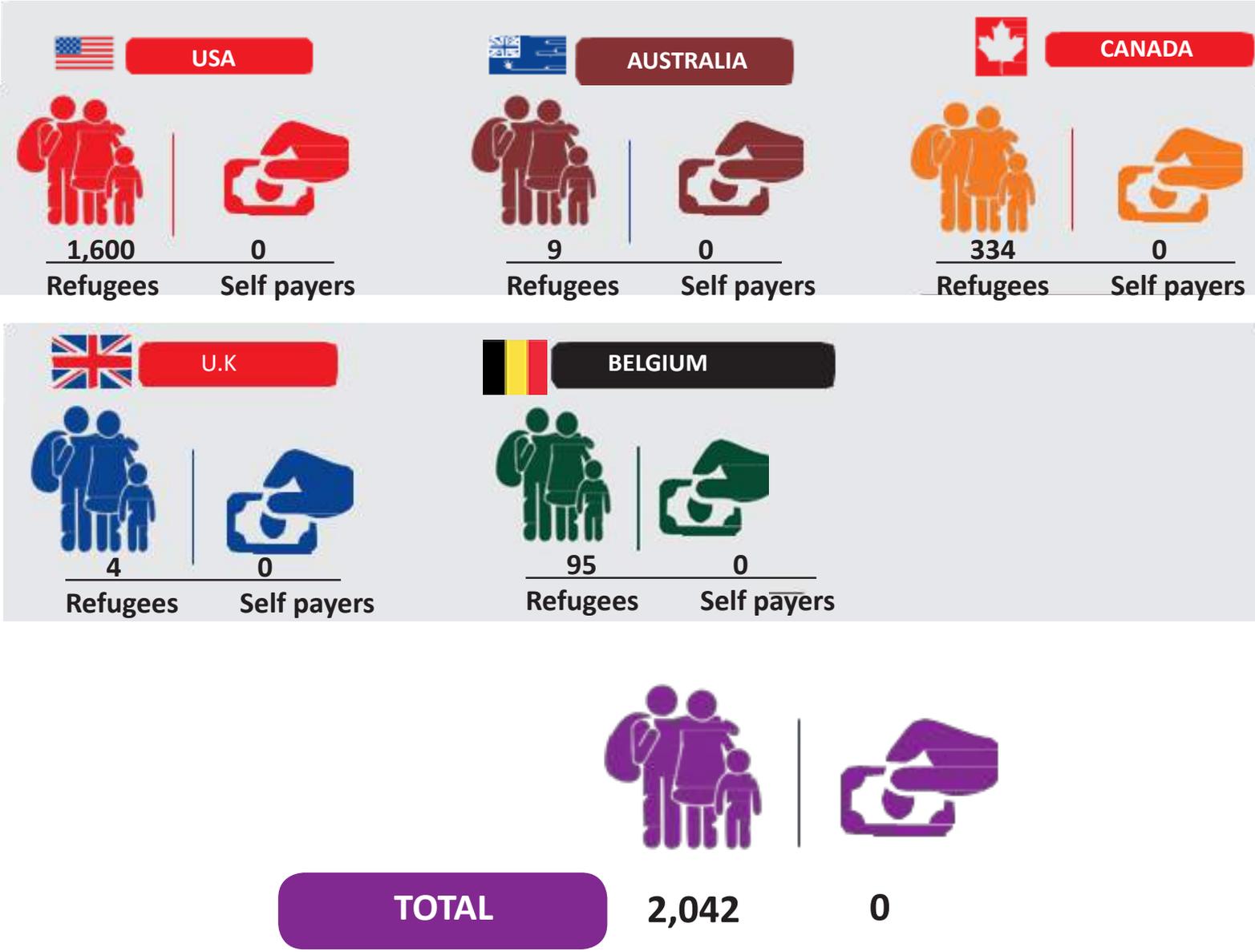
The purpose of travel health assistance is to:

- Reduce mortality and disability among IOM beneficiaries during and immediately after assisted movement.
- Guarantee continuity of care throughout the phases of migration
- Promote community health, as well as health system recovery and strengthening in areas of return.

Health assessment services provide preventive measures, such as immunizations for major vaccine-preventable diseases, health education sessions and pre-and post-test counselling for HIV. Other services provided include:

- Assistance in DNA testing and/or DNA sample collection for immigration purposes
- Surveillance and outbreak management in transit centres or other temporary settlements

NUMBER OF MEDICAL EXAMS BY IOM BURUNDI, JANUARY - JUNE 2015



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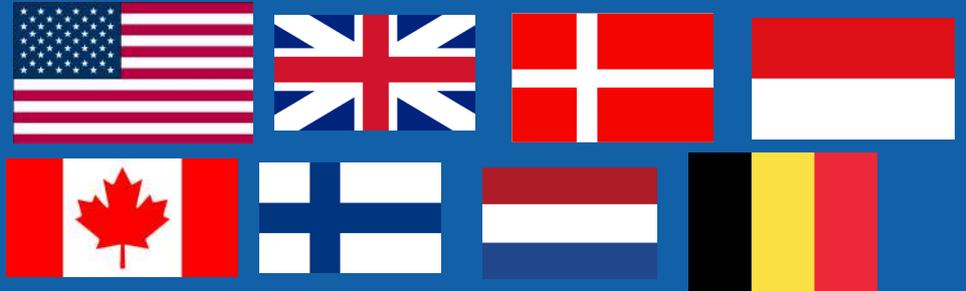
- Refugees
- Self-paying migrants
- Victims of trafficking

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Resettlement Countries



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