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In the first half of 2026, SAFHIS implemented critical regulatory and technical updates designed to enhance system integrity and enforce clinical accountability. Volume 2 outlines the newly mandated dual-screening protocol for foreign workers, strict enforcement of individualized Electronic Medical Record (EMR) authorizations, and the deployment of the SAFHIS Error Declaration workflow to streamline data correction.

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Policy Updates

Mandatory dual-screening protocol and a strict 30-day arrival window are now enforced for all foreign workers, including domestic helpers.

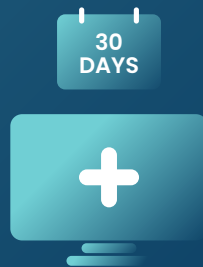
To further fortify Sarawak's public health defenses, the medical screening process has been expanded into a mandatory two-step protocol for all incoming non-Sarawakian workers, which now officially integrates Foreign Domestic Helpers (FDH) into the SAFHIS and HAVEN digital workflows.

Source Country Prerequisite



Employees and domestic helpers must undergo a comprehensive medical screening in their country of origin as a strict requirement for obtaining an e-Visa Dengan Rujukan (eVDR) or e-Visa.

The 30-Day Rule



Within 30 days of arriving in Sarawak, it is mandatory for the worker to complete another medical screening exclusively at a registered SAFHIS Panel Medical Facility.

Regulatory Compliance



This protocol is enforced to comply with local health regulations under the Immigration Act 1959/63 (Act 155), Section 8(3)(b) and Section 9(1)(c).

Strict Personal Accountability |

All Electronic Medical Records (EMRs) must be submitted by the attending medical personnel using their own individual SAFHIS accounts.

While a facility's Person-In-Charge (PIC) is responsible for registering the clinic or hospital profile, **EMRs must be submitted using the individual account of the attending medical professional.** Because every EMR is digitally signed off with the reporting personnel's name, sharing PIC or generic facility logins is a direct breach of system security and accountability.

Consent Form

Consent & Authorisation

This is to confirm that I, ISLA PUANESWARAN, Date of Birth: 2000-04-08, Gender: Female, Passport number: A553188, from MALAYSIA hereby irrevocably consent and authorise Dr. Tan Ashraf of Hospital Ashraf to:

- Carry out a medical examination on me as required by the SAFHIS screening program.
- Accept testing for HIV, following the information on HIV provided by the examining doctor.
- Disclose my health reports/records and any other health information to the relevant agencies such as ILMU, JKNS, and others, as needed.

I hereby declare and confirm that I am competent to give the above consent and authorisation and I confirm that I shall not hold the Clinic/Hospital or any of its employees, servants or agents responsible in any way whatsoever for the release of my health reports/records and any other health information to the relevant departments and agencies.

Signature of Patient


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Witnessed by

Signature of Examining Doctor


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This is especially critical for hospitals with multiple radiologists and specialists, as well as clinics employing multiple resident doctors.



Radiographers / Radiologists

Access is restricted exclusively to uploading and submitting X-Ray Records and reports.



Laboratory Scientists

Access is restricted exclusively to uploading and submitting Lab Diagnostic Results.



General Practitioners / Attending Physicians

Authorized to complete the medical history, conduct physical examinations, compile diagnostic results, and sign off on the final "Fit/Unfit" certification.

How to Register a New Personnel Account



Create the Account

The individual medical professional (Doctor, Radiologist, Lab Scientist, etc.) must click **"Register"** on the SAFHIS login page and fill in their personal and professional details (including MMC and APC numbers).

REGISTER NOW



Link the Facility

During the **"Facility Association"** step, personnel must search for and select their specific workplace using the **"Join an Existing Facility"** and **"Search Workplace"** options.



PIC Approval

Once the personnel submits their application, the facility's PIC must log into their own account, navigate to the **Users Management** tab, and click **"Approve"** to officially grant the personnel access to work under that facility.

Technical Updates

Medical Facilities can now void and amend submitted Electronic Medical Records (EMR) using the new SAFHIS Error Declaration Form.

With the latest SAFHIS release, practitioners can now utilize the new **Void EMR** feature. This functionality enables users to officially retract and amend submitted medical reports containing errors directly within the platform. However, this function is only available **within 24 hours of the EMR's submission**.

Here is how the new process works:

Initiating a Correction

Locate the submitted report in the EMR tab and click the new **"VOID EMR"** button.

The screenshot shows the SAFHIS interface with the EMR tab selected. A table lists submitted EMRs. A callout shows the 'Patient Information' form for HASSAN MANIKAVASAGAM, with a 'VOID EMR' button highlighted.

No.	Patient Name	Gender	Doctor Name	Phone Number	Company	KeyLab	Module	Last Update
1	HASSAN MANIKAVASAGAM	Male	Tan Ashraf	+609-532 3703	KHAZANAH NASIONAL SDN. BHD.	SANDS	SANDS	10/04/2024 11:04:42 AM
2	AKMAL CHEONG	Male	Tan Ashraf	+6013-479 2559	KHAZANAH NASIONAL SDN. BHD.	SANDS	SANDS	11/06/2024 2:30:34 PM
3	PRINSA SARI	Female	Tan Ashraf	+6011-1470 0489	KHAZANAH NASIONAL SDN. BHD.	SANDS	SANDS	07/04/2024 11:55:54 AM
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Error Declaration Form

You will be prompted to complete the SAFHIS Error Declaration Form. This requires specifying the Amended Status, the specific Error Section(s), a Description of the Error, and the digital Signature of the Practitioner.

The screenshot shows the SAFHIS Error Declaration Form. It includes fields for Facility & Requester Details, Worker Details, and Record Details. A 'VOID EMR' button is highlighted.

Facility & Requester Details

Medical Facility Name: Hospital Ashraf
 Facility Registration Number: 590495
 Person-in-Charge: Tan Ashraf
 Address: 100, JALAN 4, 75853, TANJUNG KIDURONG, KELANTAN, MALAYSIA
 Contact Number: 015-2555551
 Name of Requester: Tan Ashraf
 SAFHIS Login Email: tanashraf@hospitalashraf.com

Worker Details

Full Name: Dr. Tan Ashraf
 Passport Number: A294729
 Booking Number: A294729
 Nationality: MALAYSIA

Record Details

Date of Electronic Report Submission: 2024-02-23 10:09:17

System Traceability

Once the correction is successfully submitted, the system retains visibility of both the voided EMR and the newly generated EMR, with the new result acting as the final status.

Industry Spotlight

HANTAVIRUS

On the Radar

Following a cluster of cases linked to the expedition cruise ship MV Hondius – which has resulted in more than 10 confirmed and probable infections and three deaths as of 17 May 2026 – hantavirus has re-entered the public health conversation. The World Health Organization (WHO) currently assesses the global risk as low, with no evidence of sustained human-to-human transmission, as most infections occur through inhalation of aerosolised particles from rodent droppings, urine, or saliva.^[1]

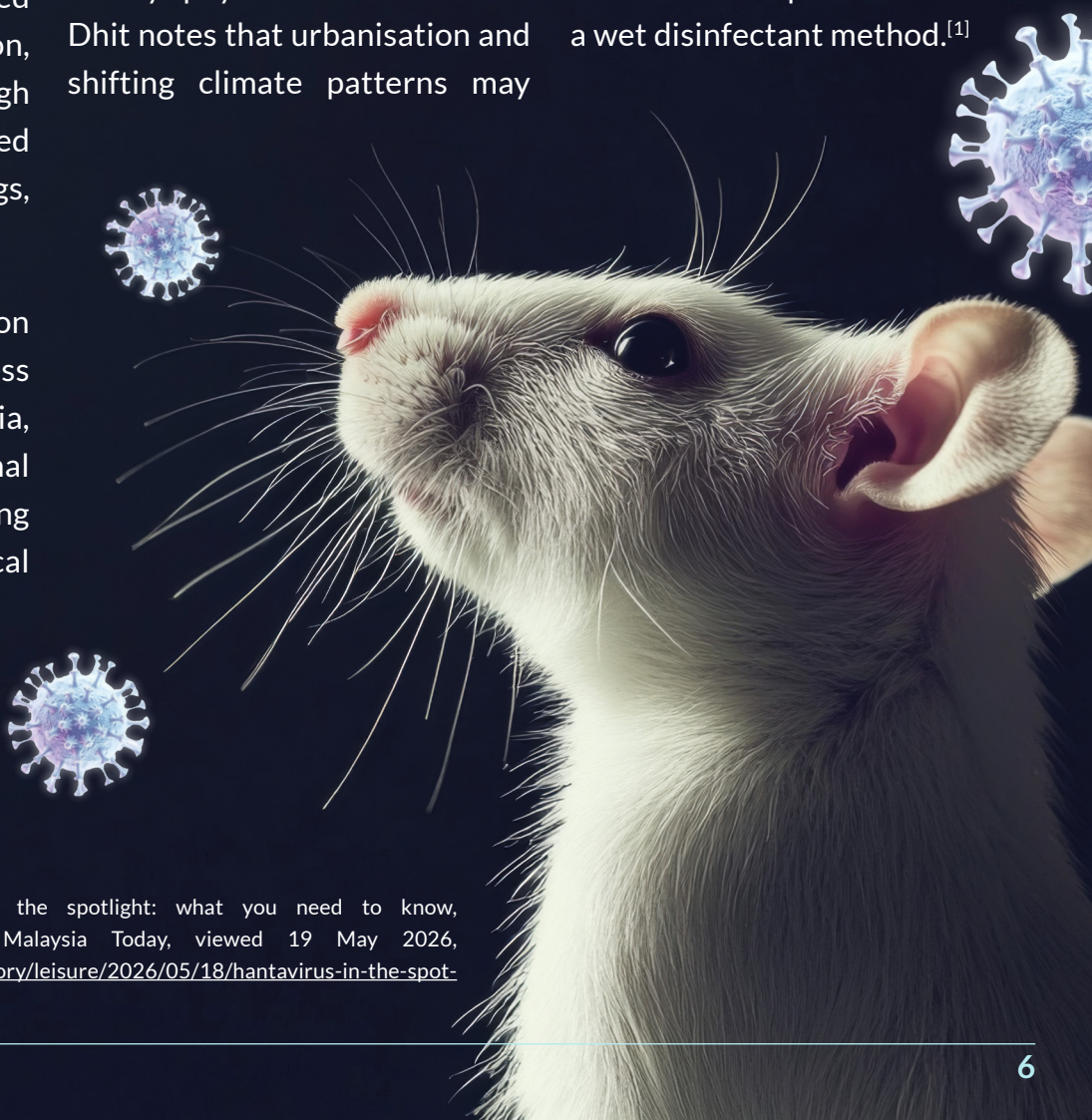
Clinically, early presentation mimics common viral illness – high fever, severe myalgia, fatigue, and gastrointestinal symptoms – making exposure history a critical

diagnostic tool. Progression to Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS), characterised by acute respiratory distress, requires immediate intervention.^[1]

Unlike leptospirosis, hantavirus is viral and has no approved vaccine or specific antiviral treatment. Family physician Dr Kam San Dhit notes that urbanisation and shifting climate patterns may

increase human exposure risk as rodent habitats change.

For healthcare professionals, the key takeaways are clinical vigilance, thorough patient history-taking, and clear patient education on environmental precautions – particularly avoiding dry-sweeping of rodent-contaminated spaces in favour of a wet disinfectant method.^[1]



^[1] FMT Reporters 2026, Hantavirus in the spotlight: what you need to know, Free Malaysia Today | FMT, Free Malaysia Today, viewed 19 May 2026, <<https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/leisure/2026/05/18/hantavirus-in-the-spotlight-what-you-need-to-know>>.

“Moving Forward”

Thank you for your continued dedication to the Sarawak Foreigners Health Information System. Your precision at the clinic level protects the health of the entire state and ensures a secure, thriving workforce. Every Screening Counts.

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Best regards,
SAFHIS Specialist Squad
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