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## B-1/WB Statement: Who Can Come to NIH in B-1 or WB Status?

An individual can come to NIH in B-1 or WB status if they are coming for any of the following purposes:

1. When conducting laboratory research that **could result in services or any benefit to NIH**, the individual must meet **ONE** of the following criteria:
  - a. He/she must have a foreign employer and be coming to NIH on behalf of that employer to consult with associates in the field.
  - b. He/she must be the recipient of a foreign grant awarded for the specific research that will be conducted at NIH (this may include students coming to conduct research as part of their dissertation).
2. **Independent research**, research that clearly will not result in services or any benefit to NIH (e.g. Guest Researcher).
3. **Observation only**, such as a scientist or a student coming to observe a technique in the lab.
4. **Participation in a scientific conference or seminar**, such as a scientist giving a lecture.
5. A medical student studying at a foreign medical school and seeking to enter the U.S. temporarily in order to take an "**elective clerkship**" at a U.S. medical school's hospital without remuneration from that hospital. As a federal biomedical research agency with a clinical research hospital, NIH is considered by the Department of State as an appropriate institution for elective clerkships. [An "elective clerkship" affords practical experience and instruction in the various disciplines of medicine. The clerkship is carried out under the supervision and direction of faculty physicians at a U.S. medical school's hospital (e.g. NIH) as an approved part of the student's foreign medical school education.]

Mr. /Ms. /Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ is eligible for B-1 or WB status based on the conditions described in # \_\_\_\_\_

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