

Medical travel during COVID-19 period

We are going through uncertain times with COVID-19 in our lives. Travel during COVID-19 will soon become possible. There are promising news lately in accepting international patients in the country. However there will be rules, regulations and requirements during this period.

In this article, we have summed up some important information which you may find useful to check before you decide to travel during COVID-19. Information listed here is only a guideline and will be updated when more news will be available.

Frequently asked questions about medical travel during COVID-19

- **How does it look like travelling for a surgery during covid-19 period?**

There will be extra precautions in the airports and in the airplanes to stop transmitting corona virus. Airports will not be allowed crowds. There will be mandatory distance between people when queuing. Although most of the airplane companies announced that social distancing couldn't be followed in the airplanes, they are also planning on adjustment. Airplanes will stop serving food and drinks during most of the flights. It is highly advised to keep your mask during your travel in the airport and in the plane. When you arrive to Turkey you will be asked to show your covid-19 test, which is done no later, then 48 hours before. You can also take the test at the airport.

- **Will I incur more charges in the hospital if I travel during covid-19?**

There will be extra covid test in your medical travel package; exact cost of this will be mentioned to you before your pre-booking. Other than that, there are no planned extra costs.

- **Will I be tested against covid-19?**

Yes you have to be tested against COVID-19

- **What if I have covid-19 after the tests?**

If you are unfortunately positive Covid-19, you will need to be treated in the hospital immediately. Therefore, you will need to bear the costs of this treatment.

- **Do I need to bring extra things with me?**

Please bring facemasks, gloves and alcohol solution with you, please check airline rules for maximum liquid carriage allowance. Keep your masks on all the time. There are specific rules on how to use the facemasks properly. Such as; washing hands before using, not re-using the mask again and placing it properly. Please be informed about mask usage rules.

- **Will there be quarantine when I arrive in Turkey?**

It is not mentioned at the moment that there will be quarantine. We will update the sheet if there will be a quarantine period.

- **How can I prepare myself the best for the trip?**

Not only for the trip but also for general you should obey your countries safety rules before you travel. Practice social distance, wash hands regularly, stay at home as much as it is possible.

- **In which condition should I take the plane or decide not to take the plane?**

If you have the symptoms of the flue, coughing, sneezing, fever please do not travel. Even if at the last minute you have seen these symptoms, please cancel your travel. Please check your local directives for “stay at home” conditions.

- **What do I need to do when I arrive back to my home country?**

Please check your country of origin if you need to stay in quarantine. How many days will it be and what are the conditions.

We understand that travelling becomes somewhat difficult and less enjoyable at this time. However, we can overcome the difficulties if we obey the rules all together. Please continually check the updated rules on your country of origin before your travel and be well informed on the recent developments. We wish you safe travels and hope to welcome you soon in Turkey!