

Taiwan Medical Planning Guide for International Patients

I. Medical Visa Process

International patients seeking medical services in Taiwan may need to apply for a **Medical Visa**. For the latest information, please refer to the **National Immigration Agency, Ministry of the Interior, Taiwan** (<https://www.immigration.gov.tw/>). The general application process is as follows:

1. **Determine the Applicable Visa Type:** International patients typically apply for a **Medical Visa**.
2. **Prepare the Required Documents (may include the following):**
 - (0) **Original passport** and a copy (valid for at least six months).
 - (1) **Two recent color passport-sized photos** (taken within the last six months).
 - (2) **Official invitation letter or medical treatment plan** from a Taiwan medical institution.
 - (3) **Proof of financial capability**, such as a bank statement or proof of deposit.
 - (4) **Flight and accommodation confirmation**.
3. **Submit the Application:**
 - (0) Applications can be submitted at Taiwan's overseas offices, such as embassies or consulates.
 - (1) Patients may also authorize the medical institution to assist with the application.
4. **Visa Processing and Issuance:**
 - (0) Processing time is approximately **5–10 working days**, depending on individual circumstances.

II. Guidelines for Living in Taiwan

1. Language and Communication

- (1) **Primary Language:** English (other languages might be available upon request).
- (2) **Interpreter Services:** Patients may hire an interpreter or use hospital-provided international medical services.

2. Transportation and Accommodation

- 3. Transportation:** Taiwan offers a convenient public transportation system, including high-speed rail (HSR), metro (MRT), buses, and taxis.
- 4. Accommodation:** Some hospitals provide lodging arrangements. Patients may also choose hotels or long-term rental options.

5. Payments and Financial Services:

- (1) **Currency:** New Taiwan Dollar (TWD).
- (2) **Payment Methods:** Cash, credit cards (Visa, MasterCard), and mobile payment options (e.g., Line Pay, Apple Pay).
- (3) **Medical Payments:** Some medical institutions accept international insurance or provide cost estimation assistance.

III. Estimated Costs of Medical Services

Below are reference prices for common medical treatments (actual costs may vary based on individual cases):

Medical Service	Estimated Cost (TWD)
Health Check-up	NT\$ 20,000 – depending on one's needs
Cancer Treatment (Radiotherapy/Chemotherapy)	NT\$ 500,000 - depending on one's needs
Orthopedic Surgery (Joint Replacement)	NT\$ 300,000 - 700,000
Dental Implant (per tooth)	NT\$ 80,000 - 150,000
In-Vitro Fertilization (IVF) Treatment	NT\$ 200,000 - 500,000

(These prices are for reference only. Please contact us for an official quotation.)

IV. Medical Planning (Before, During, and After Treatment)

1. Before Arrival

- (1) **Schedule Medical Services:** Appointments can be made via the hospital's official website or an international medical coordinator.
- (2) **Confirm Visa and Entry Requirements:** Ensure all necessary documents are prepared.
- (3) **Financial Preparation:** Confirm payment methods and consult with your insurance provider if needed.

2. During Treatment

- (1) **Check-in and Initial Examination:** Meet with the medical team upon arrival for treatment confirmation.
- (2) **Hospitalization or Outpatient Treatment:** Arrangements will be made based on medical needs.
- (3) **Assistance Services:** Some hospitals provide international patient coordinators for medical assistance.

3. After Treatment

- (1) **Follow-up Appointments:** Adhere to post-treatment check-ups as recommended by the doctor.
- (2) **Telemedicine Consultation:** Some institutions offer remote follow-up consultations.
- (3) **Medical Continuity in Home Country:** Ensure seamless transition to local healthcare services after returning home.

V. Medical Risk Assessment

1. **Post-Surgical Complications:** Possible risks include infection, bleeding, and allergic reactions.
2. **Medical History and Health Condition:** Patients must fully disclose their medical history to the institution beforehand.
3. **Insurance and Legal Responsibility:** Confirm whether international medical insurance is applicable and understand the medical institution's liability scope.
4. **Emergency Preparedness:** Hospitals have emergency response plans in place. It is recommended that patients carry emergency contact information at all times.

VI. Medical Institution Contact Information

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