

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 14th JULY 2015**

Question

Will the Minister provide members with full details of all the hospitals used outside the Island to treat Jersey patients and of the patient welfare facilities and arrangements that have been put into place at each hospital in order to maximize the wellbeing of those patients during their treatment?

Answer

60 UK hospitals received Jersey patients over the last 12 months. A list of these hospitals is below. The vast majority of these hospitals care for our patients in their out-patient departments and Jersey patients will have the same facilities available to them as the local NHS UK patients. If the patient is admitted as an in-patient then they will be afforded the same facilities and welfare as local NHS UK patients.

In some cases, a patient is required to attend a UK hospital for a series of treatments over several days or even weeks. For these patients, accommodation is arranged. This varies by UK hospital. The department has specific accommodation agreements with a number of hospitals, indicated by an asterisk in the list.

The travel office, the overseas treatment team, the clinical teams and the UK patients' co-ordinator are all involved with helping patients with their specific needs or assisting with problems or concerns that may arise whilst they are in the UK.

The department's policy in relation to accommodation is set out below. The full Patient Travel Charges Policy is available on the gov.je website.

Accommodation

- (a) Patients receiving inpatient treatment at a UK hospital will normally be accommodated free of charge within the hospital. Patients receiving outpatient treatment or attending an outpatient appointment will be expected to travel on a day return basis and hence accommodation will not be necessary. When it is not practical to re-arrange day return travel the accommodation costs will be an allowable expense, for the patient and their escort. Patients will be expected to make use of accommodation within the UK hospital where possible and when this is not possible patients will be expected to accept accommodation of a standard provided by a reasonable guest house. It will be expected for a patient and their escort to share a room unless there are exceptional circumstances. If a patient chooses to stay in higher quality accommodation the Department will only refund an amount equivalent to guest house accommodation.
- (b) Accommodation will not be provided for an escort accompanying a patient, unless the patient is in receipt of income support at the time of travel, when a maximum of two days accommodation may be authorised by the Department.
- (c) Accommodation may be reimbursed based on the decision made by the referring consultant – exceptions may be made in some circumstances.

(d) Accounts will be reimbursed to a maximum of £50 a night, on production of validated receipts.

Referrals to Overseas Hospitals
*Specific accommodation agreements in place
Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge*
Barts and The Royal London
Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital
Bethlem Royal Hospital, London
Birmingham Children's Hospital
Bristol and Bath University Hospital
Brockfield House, Essex (Mental Health)
Chalfont Centre for Epilepsy, Bucks
Charing Cross Hospital
Chelsea and Westminster Hospital
Clouds House, Salisbury
Croydon University Hospital
Cygnets Hospital Bierley Bradford
Gender Identity Clinic, Fulham
Gloucestershire Royal Hospital, Gloucester
Great Ormond Street Hospital*
Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals including Evelina*
Hammersmith Hospital
Hospital for Tropical Diseases, London
In Health, Southampton
John Radcliffe, Oxford
Kings College Hospital
Moorfields Eye Hospital*
National Hospital, Queens Square
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital
Nuffield Taunton
Optegra Solent Eye Clinic
Princess Elizabeth Hospital, Guernsey
Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham
Redford Court, Liverpool (Brain Injury Rehab Trust)
Royal Bournemouth Hospital

Royal Brompton Hospital
Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital
Royal Free Hospital, London
Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield
Royal Marsden Hospital, Chelsea
Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton
Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases
Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases, Bath
Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore
Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital
Royal national, Queens Square
Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, Birmingham
Royal Surrey Hospital, Guildford
Salisbury District Hospital, Odstock
South London and Maudsley
Southampton / Nuffield Wessex*
Southampton General*
Southampton General - Bursledon House*
St Andrews Essex (Mental Health)
St George's Hospital, London
St Marks Hospital, Harrow
St Mary's Hospital, London
St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth
Stoke Mandeville Hospital
UCLH*
University College Hospital Macmillan Cancer Centre
Vincent Square Eating Disorder Service
Wrightington Hospital, Wigan