



Dear Patient

We are very much aware of the problems that patients face when they have to leave their home and their friends at short notice to receive treatment in UK.

This is why we have put together this INFORMATION PACK for you. We hope that it will help you cope better with some of the problems that you may encounter.

We hope that we have covered all the problems that may arise. We have done our very best to ensure that the information provided is correct and up to date. If you have any further queries please feel free to contact one of our team.

Sponsored Patients Department

Gibraltar Health Authority

Sponsorship Guidelines

- 1. Your local Consultant has informed you that you will be recommended for further treatment in a UK hospital. At this stage all you can do is await your appointment confirmation, since all other arrangements revolves around this allocation.**
- 2. Your appointment will be confirmed from the UK direct, or via the GHA. You are requested to liaise with the Sponsored Patents Dept, who will make arrangements for your Air Tickets, and provide you with all necessary information.**
- 3. If your appointment is in London, all patients will be required to stay at Calpe House. This will be requested by Sponsored Patients Dept.**

4. If your appointment is in Outer London or Calpe is full please speak to Sponsored Patients Dept.

5. The following is the criteria which you are being sponsored

a) Cost of return air passage for patient & escort. Please note Patients over the age of 65yrs who might require extra help due to Medical needs could be entitled to a third air passage to assist, this would require Consultant approval.

Patients 18 years of age and under are also entitled to 2 escorts to accompany them.

Cost of air passage. (Return air passages must be booked after patient has been given the all clear from UK) and can be booked from the Calpe House Office. Please note GHA will book cheapest return option on occasion this may be via Malaga or any other airport.

- b) Cost of return transport from airport to place of residence will be borne by the GHA, the taxi will be booked and paid for by the GHA using the contracted taxi firm. (Greyhound / Raj Cars). Patients not staying in Central London might be asked to pay an extra charge.
- c) Cost of direct return transport from place of residence to hospital by public transport to attend out-patient treatment. **Taxi fares only refundable on production of letter from our Consultant Only.**
- e) Payment of maintenance allowance is payable to you at the rate of £25 per night and will be paid to you not exceeding two nights after the patients last appointment or discharge from Hospital. Proof of appointment must be submitted.
- f) For payments of travel expenses, tickets and receipts must be produced.

Allowance can be claimed for **The Calpe House office**