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# Access to medical services for visitors during TT fortnight

# Hello,

We hope you're looking forward to your visit to the Isle of Man!

Whilst we hope you don't need to make use of Manx Care's services whilst you're on the Island, we wanted to make sure you were aware of the services we provide, should you need them.

#### Where you can access Medical Services on the Isle of Man

You can find the link to Manx Care's signposting guide, which is available in different languages, <u>here</u>.

## **Medical Services for UK Residents**

The Isle of Man has a reciprocal healthcare agreement with the UK, meaning that medical treatment which is needed by a resident of England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland whilst visiting the Island is provided by the IOM NHS on the same basis as services provided to local residents (i.e. free of charge except for any charges which would be payable by an Island resident (e.g. prescription charges)). Details of how to register as a temporary resident with an IOM GP can be found at <a href="https://www.gov.im/categories/health-and-wellbeing/doctors/">https://www.gov.im/categories/health-and-wellbeing/doctors/</a>.

Please note that the reciprocal healthcare agreement does not cover all eventualities and so we advise visitors to obtain their own appropriate level of insurance in addition to this.

## Medical Services for visitors from outside the UK

In line with the provisions of the NHS (Overseas Visitors) Regulations 2011, visitors from other jurisdictions are generally only entitled to

accident and emergency services free of charge. This means it is imperative that you have comprehensive travel insurance, or the means to pay significant medical bills should you require medical attention whilst on the Island. If admitted to hospital, any overseas visitors will be expected to provide insurance details or pay for any medical bills prior to discharge.

Information on how to register with a GP practice as a private patient can be found at <u>https://www.gov.im/categories/health-and-wellbeing/doctors/</u>.

#### **Other useful information**

Please make sure you bring with you all of your prescription medication and any other important medical information you may need during your stay on the Island.

Thanks, and enjoy a safe TT 2023!

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