# **Prepare for Your**

# Pancreatic cancer

# **Treatment in Germany**



#### **Documents and Visa Requirements**

- International travelers to Germany should possess a valid passport with at least 3 months' validity beyond the period of intended stay.
- Visa requirements for entering Germany depend on the country of origin. Patients should check visa requirements at <u>The Federal Foreign</u> Office of Germany.
- Medical documents needed: referral from a local doctor, medical history, imaging and test results related to pancreatic cancer. Bring
  prescriptions for any medications you're currently taking.
- Clinics in Germany can provide further diagnostics and tests if certain medical documents are missing or if more current information is needed.



## **Accommodation Options**

Surgery patients are typically provided with a 14-day inpatient stay. For chemotherapy, which lasts approximately 6 months (1-3 days of administration and a 21-day break), accommodation is outpatient. Clinics may offer partner hotels at discounted rates or patients can book their own accommodation. The average hotel stay per night can range from €80 to €150. Accompanying persons may stay with the patient or arrange their own accommodation; conditions vary by clinic.



## **Transfer Services**

- Some clinics offer free airport transfers, while others may charge a fee.
- Popular taxi services include Free Now, Taxi.de, and Uber, with prices varying based on distance and city, typically starting around €20 for short distances.



#### **Interpreter Services**

Interpreter services are available, with costs varying by clinic. Some may offer this service for free, while others charge an additional fee.



## **Payment Methods**

- Payments for medical services can typically be made using cash or credit/debit cards.
- The local currency is the Euro (EUR), and it is advisable to have local currency for smaller expenses.
- · While some establishments may accept dollars or euros, it is generally recommended to exchange currency for a smoother experience.



### **Before Your Pancreatic cancer Treatment**

- · Consult with your local doctor about the planned medical procedures and ask for any necessary pre-treatment care.
- Ensure you have a comprehensive list of all medications and supplements you're currently taking to share with your medical team in Germany.
- Maintain a healthy diet and follow any pre-treatment dietary restrictions or recommendations provided by your healthcare provider.
- Arrange for someone to assist you during your recovery period, as you may need help with daily activities post-treatment.
- · Prepare your home for your return post-treatment, considering any mobility limitations you might have.
- Organize all your medical records and personal documents, and make copies to take with you.
- · Stay informed about the latest travel advisories and health regulations related to travel to and from Germany.
- Understand the potential side effects of your treatment and discuss them with your healthcare provider.



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