

GUIDE

for Patients from Great Britain willing to undergo surgery in Poland and get the NHS cost reimbursement

Follow the steps and don't worry – it may look complicated, but our medical assistants will be glad to help.

1. If your treatment is included in one of the following indications than you need to apply for the **prior authorization** and cost reimbursement BEFORE your medical travel to Poland:


- Adult specialist orthopaedic services.
- Major trauma services.
- Adult specialist ophthalmology services.
- Specialist morbid obesity services.
- Specialist rehabilitation services for patients with highly complex needs.

A full list of those treatments you can find [in the second PDF guide file](#).

2. You must be sure **that your treatment would be available for you under NHS**. If you have doubts, please contact NHS Commissioner (local Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) or NHS England) directly.

3. You must **be an ordinarily resident in England**. Please note that a person is not ordinarily resident just because they have a British nationality, hold a British passport, is registered with a GP, have an NHS number, own property in the UK or have paid/are paying NI contributions and taxes in the UK. This may sound tricky -please consider this point carefully.

4. To apply for the authorization of undergoing treatment in Poland you need to **fill the application form**.



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to help you !

You can find the template form [here](#).

5. You will be using the **UE Directive** – Specialised route, as in Poland we would like to provide you with exceptional quality of treatment in **private** health sector.

6. To fulfil the form correctly you need **to prepare following data**:

- Your personal details including your **NHS number** and **National Insurance No** as well as your exemptions from NHS charge.
- Your **British General Practitioner name and address**.
- Details of the **Clinic in Poland** as well as the name and contact data of your **Polish surgeon**.
- Your **treatment details** – specific dates of your treatments, stays, appointments, diagnostic tests including scans, equipment needed, medications needed.
- What is very important – you need a **supporting letter** with diagnosis and explanation of the medical need for treatment **from your Polish surgeon**. (You will get this after your first visit in Poland – the Doctor will examine you precisely, provide necessary tests. You will also get the chance to see the clinic, your post-operative room, meet the Doctor, ask him questions, get to know medical staff and your medical assistant). You may also need the written support for the medical timeframe your Surgeon consider necessary for the treatment to be provided.

Don't worry!
We will help you
with all of these.



Not a problem ! Your
Doctor will prepare
one for you on your
first visit.

7. NHS will decide if in the medically justified timeframe they might find a proper term for your procedure in England. If not, they will assign you a cost reimbursement for treatment in Poland. (Note that in Poland you will get the surgery in the highest medical standard private clinic, with full care and rehabilitation).

8. You may **wait up to 20 working days** for an application to be processed and the decision to be made. The medical statement of Polish clinician is valid up to 6 months.

After your medical travel:

9. You need to provide detailed Proofs of Payment – e.g. bills for medications, tests, procedure and add them to your application to get the cost reimbursement.

If you have any doubts or questions do not hesitate do contact us via our website www.eurotreatmed.co.uk or directly via e-mail contact@eurotreatmed.co.uk

