

## Healthy bodies. Healthy wallets. Big Apple patients save big bucks overseas



MedSolution.com connects New Yorkers with life-saving surgeries at a fraction of US health costs

**VANCOUVER** — New York is famously known as the city that welcomed the “tired, poor and huddled masses” from around the world.

But now a Canadian “medical tourism” company is turning the tables by connecting uninsured New Yorkers with amazingly affordable hospitals around the globe.

“In New York a coronary bypass can cost as much as \$100,000 for uninsured patients. MedSolution.com can arrange the same procedure by fully qualified surgeons in India for about \$7,000, all medical costs included,” said MedSolution.com spokesperson Karin Basaraba.

“We want New York patients without health insurance, especially seniors, to understand that they still have many options available to them. We can help people access the surgeries they need without breaking the bank.”

For years the enormous cost of surgery has forced many uninsured New Yorkers to choose between their health and total bankruptcy.

But MedSolution.com’s partner hospitals in France and India offer affordable access to life-saving surgeries.

National health statistics suggest there are 2.8 million New York state residents without health insurance, about 15 per cent of the state’s total population.

New York state also ranks higher than most states for heart disease deaths (9th), and incidence of cancer (21st).

Since one out of every six New Yorkers lacks health insurance, Basaraba said we can only speculate how many have lost their lives as a result of skyrocketing medical costs.

Thousands more face another health challenge entirely – many seniors have put their lives on hold because they are unable to afford the hip and knee replacements they need to enjoy their twilight years in comfort.

“We can arrange any orthopedic surgery in India or France for a fraction of what it would cost in the USA,” Basaraba said. “A \$40,000 hip or knee replacement can be done for less than \$6,000 with our hospitals. People don’t need to suffer anymore. We can help.”

MedSolution.com's state of the art, English-speaking partner hospitals can deliver surgical services for 30 to 90 per cent less than their US counterparts, including:

- cardiac (coronary bypass, heart repairs);
- orthopedic (full and partial knee, hip and joint replacements);
- interventional cardiology (angiography, angioplasty, catheterization);
- gastric (banding and bypass); and
- cosmetic surgery.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield International has also approved some procedures at MedSolution.com's hospitals for coverage — an option that may provide even more savings for New York policy holders.

Milwaukee resident Gary Konkol, 54, is one of many Americans who have discovered a world of savings by choosing a MedSolution.com partner hospital.

“My visit to India has been one of the most positive experiences in my life,” said Konkol, who recently received a hip replacement at the Krishna Heart Institute in Ahmedabad, India.

“The medical treatment was excellent. However, the loving care that was shown to me during my stay went beyond any of my expectations. From the moment their staff met me at the airport in India — I never expected that strangers would treat me with so much care and kindness.”

MedSolution.com's clients can expect the same standard of care at their partner hospitals as would be expected within the American system.

Partner hospitals undergo an extensive screening process which includes background checks with local health authorities and professional associations.

Hospitals must also adhere to operating room procedural standards endorsed by the World Health Organization, and their staff must be able to communicate with MedSolution.com's clients in fluent English at all stages of care.

In addition to France and India, MedSolution.com is currently building partnerships in Brazil, Turkey, Poland, Malaysia, Costa Rica, Mexico and South Africa. In Vitro Fertilization and dental surgery will also soon be added to the company's list of services.

Patients who require surgical treatment can contact MedSolution.com to explore unique solutions to their health care needs. Please visit [www.medsolution.com](http://www.medsolution.com) or call 1-800-984-0457.

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