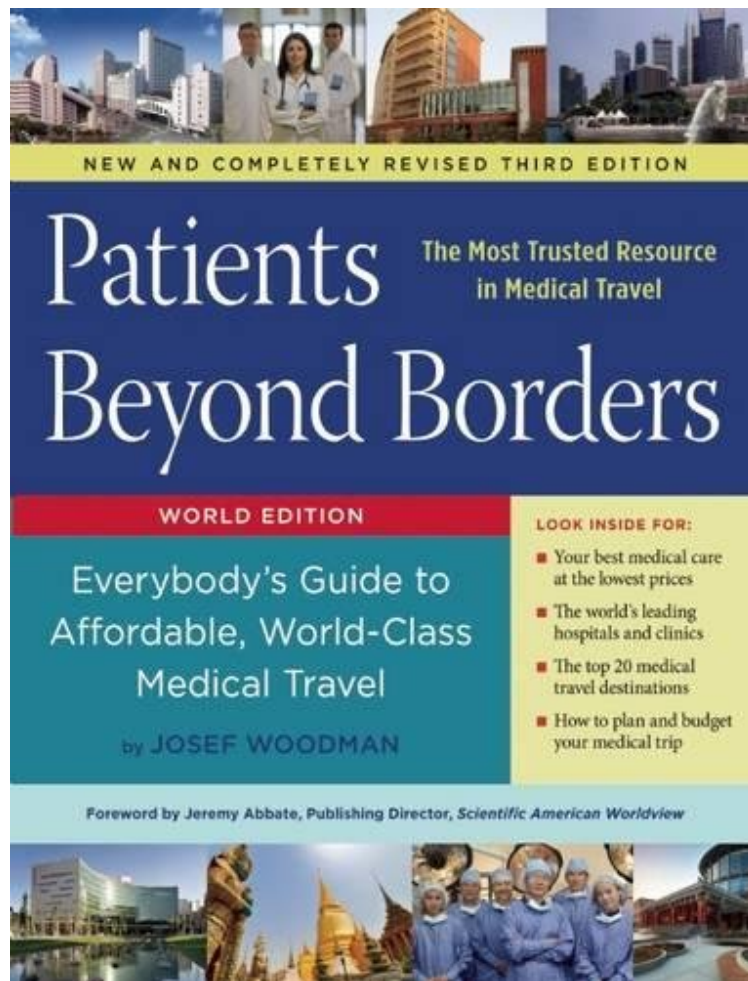


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8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. One of best around - but not as good as the previous editionBy Kevin GrimesIt's one of the better books out there for those of us who like to do medical tourism. I relied heavily on the previous edition of this book in 2011 when I went to Costa Rica to have about \$20K in dental work done (vs. \$90K in US) and it was a wonderful experience. The book was helpful in that it gave me an estimate of prices per procedure, which I validated with estimates from dentists there. We had a tentative plan of treatment, based on x-rays etc that I

had sent, and everything went great. Now I'm planning a different type of treatment and am turning to this updated edition. I don't find it to be quite as good because it gives "savings estimates" instead of local prices. This requires me to know what US prices are before I can plan on what it will be elsewhere. Other than that, this is still one of the best resources around that I've found. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Pretty good overview  
By M. Dai Zovi  
This is a pretty good place to start if you're considering traveling for health care. It was definitely a little padded--some things were said a few times, some lists that took up a lot of space, etc, so don't think you're necessarily getting several hundred pages worth of info. But it's very informative, approachable, easy to read, and a good price. Recommended as a first step. If you're already familiar with the industry, it's not for you.  
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A very helpful book for a first-timer.  
By MsT  
This is a great starting place when first considering medical travel. I had been doing my own research on the web, but it felt fragmented and without good direction. This book answered a lot of my questions, includes detailed checklists, and provided the direction and organization I needed to feel more confident about proceeding. After reading the book (which I will definitely be referring back to), my on-line research is more purposeful and organized.

More than ten million patients now travel abroad every year for affordable, high-quality healthcare. From Thailand's American-accredited Bumrungrad International Hospital to Eric Clapton's Crossroads Center in Antigua to Johns Hopkins International Medical Center in Singapore, health travelers now have access to a full array of the world's safest, best choices in healthcare facilities and physicians. Now in its third edition, *Patients Beyond Borders* remains the best-read, most comprehensive, easy-to-understand guide to medical tourism, written by the world's leading spokesperson on international health travel. This new edition of *Patients Beyond Borders* lists the 25 top medical travel destinations, where patients can choose from hundreds of hospitals and save 30-80 percent on medical procedures, ranging from a comprehensive health check-up to heart work, orthopedics, dental and cosmetic surgery, in vitro fertilization and more.

The \$20 billion-a-year global medical-tourism market finally has a guidebook of its own. With medical tourism now growing at 15 percent annually. . . . this tome couldn't be more timely.  
--Travel + Leisure Magazine  
*Patients Beyond Borders* tells how to plan and budget for medical care abroad and how to find the best doctors and hospitals.  
--AARP Bulletin  
--The bible for the potential surgical traveler  
--The Milken Institute  
Headed around the world for some cheaper medical care? Follow these rules.  
--Outside Magazine  
*Patients Beyond Borders* is a landmark series of consumer guides to international medical travel that has helped thousands of patients plan successful health travel journeys abroad.  
--US News and World Report  
Woodman suggests a \$6,000 rule: if your procedure would cost more than \$6,000 in the United States, you would likely save money--possibly more than \$1,000--by traveling to a foreign hospital, including all other costs.  
--NPR (National Public Radio)  
I have read and am impressed by this book . . .  
--Arthur Frommer  
A useful new book on this topic. . . .  
--Savvy Senior  
"If you're considering medical travel, your first stop should be the book *Patients Beyond Borders*--Tulsa World  
*Patients Beyond Borders* author lends advice to patients considering travel overseas for medical care  
--Oprah.com  
While AMA guidelines have established a foundation, additional steps will be needed to set appropriate quality standards that extend from pre-operation care to post-discharge and follow-up. Accreditation and oversight by neutral overseers--JCI, *Patients Beyond Borders* and others--will be important.  
--Deloitte Center for Health Solutions  
*Patients Beyond Borders*, the bestselling consumer reference for international health travel is a leading advocate of affordable, high-quality medical care for healthcare consumers worldwide.  
--AARP Life@Fifty  
"The [*Patients Beyond Borders*] website lists and recommends accredited medical facilities around the world that have met strict international standards."  
--The New York Daily News  
Woodman's father is not alone in looking abroad for a medical overhaul. After all, if the American healthcare system is not completely broken, it is certainly dysfunctional. As baby boomers age into more medical problems with spotty cover- age and would prefer not to deplete their retirement savings, they are looking at all available options.  
--Financial Times. . . a must-read for those considering medical tourism . . .  
--ABC News  
A practical guide to planning a medical trip . . .  
--The Washington Post