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## **India hospital Fortis tops 2012 World's Best Hospitals for Medical Tourists™ list**

March 14, 2012 – Bangkok, Scottsdale – Fortis Hospital (<http://www.fortishospitals.com/>) in Bangalore is again named the top hospital for medical tourists in the annual ranking by the Medical Travel Quality Alliance (MTQUA <http://mtqua.org>).

For the third straight year, Fortis has taken top spot in providing medical travelers with outstanding treatment and integrated care management that includes concerns for patient rights, safety and security, and communication. Five of the top 10 world's best hospitals in medical tourism are in Asia, two of which are in Thailand, considered still to be the leading medical tourism destination in the world. The Top 10 list of World's Best Hospitals for Medical Tourists™ is available at <http://www.mtqua.org/providers/top-10-worlds-best-hospitals-for-medical-tourists-new/>

“This year, hospital rankings have been affected by world economic and security conditions,” says MTQUA President Julie Munro. “People are delaying elective surgery, competition for these fewer patients is increasing, and more businesses are claiming to offer medical tourism services.”

Rising medical destinations include Korea, Turkey, and South Africa. Mexico is no longer represented in the top 10 because of ongoing drug violence in the major cities despite the low cost of medical treatment and favorable foreign exchange rates.

“It's become much more difficult to sort through the claims of medical tourism providers to find high quality medical treatment at a reasonable cost and with responsible care management,” says Munro.

The top 10 list of World's Best Hospitals for Medical Tourists™ for 2012 also includes

- Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore (<http://www.parkwayhealth.com>)
- Shouldice Hospital, Canada (<http://www.shouldice.com>)
- Wooridul Spine Hospital, Korea (<http://www.wooridul.com>)
- Asklepios Klinik Barmbek, Germany (<http://www.asklepios.com/barmbek/>)
- Barcelona Medical Centre, Spain (<http://www.bcm.es/>)
- Clemenceau Medical Center, Lebanon (<http://www.cmc.com.lb>)
- Anadolu Medical Center, Turkey (<http://www.anadolumedicalcenter.com/>)

About Medical Travel Quality Alliance: MTQUA (<http://mtqua.org>) is an international independent organization founded in 2009 to promote safety and quality in treatment and care for medical tourists, medical tourism certification, best practices and World's Best Hospitals for Medical Tourists™. Its new *Best Practices In Medical Tourism* publication is **What Is Medical Tourism?** <http://www.mtqua.org/files/Medical-Travel-Quality-MTQUA-What-is-medical-tourism-120820.pdf>

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