INTRODUCING YOU TO THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL OF OSTRAVA

Historically, establishment of a medical facility in Ostrava dates from 14th August 1912 when the municipalities of Vítkovice and Zábřeh nad Odrou opened a jointly built but not very large Epidemiological Hospital. The hospital then underwent developments which were influenced by two world wars and the social and political events of the past century. A new step in its mission was achieved with a decision of the Ministry of Health to grant it the status of a University Hospital on 8th April 1992.

At the turn of 1994/1995, the hospital moved from its location in Ostrava-Zábřeh to Poruba. Today, after 13 years of operation on premises resembling an attractive spa complex, this prestigious medical facility and the services of its medical staff are well-known over the entire North-Moravian Region. Some centres serve the adjacent areas of the Olomouc Region owing to their indispensability while foreigners and people from other regions of the Czech Republic seek aid here as well.

Apropos the increasing trend of focusing on specialised and super-specialised health care Centres within a network of medical facilities, Ostrava University Hospital will continue to strengthen its dominant position in the future too. Its interrelationship with the university education system is guaranteed by the Medical and Social Faculty of Ostrava University which uses the hospital’s clinical institutes for teaching its students.

Forty one departments, clinics, centres, institutes and a pharmacy, guarantee that patients requiring medical care here can rely on services that are fully comparable with those provided by the most advanced European hospitals. In total, there are about 3,179 employees in the hospital, of which 440 are physicians, over 2,000 subordinate and auxiliary health employees and the remaining employees include specialist engineers and technical administrative staff and services without which the operation of such a large hospital would be impossible.

Specialist medical clinics include those for: burns, traumatology, cardiosurgery, transplantation and others. The teams from all the disciplines maintain close co-operation ensuring that the hospital is able to provide the necessary complex full spectrum care. People afflicted with sudden cardiac or cerebral accident, those injured in car crashes or in danger of their lives through occupational injury, appreciate that the hospital is also able to guarantee twenty-four hour acute care. Convenient accessibility of the hospital by air or rapid rescue service reduces the time, decisive for emergency patients, from the so-called “golden hour” to a “golden quarter of an hour”.

Prospective development and medical care

The rapid development of medicine is reflected in the key treatment programs which Ostrava University Hospital offers. These include: cerebrovascular, oncological, traumatological programs, a mother and child care program and an HIV and AIDS program. Urology, orthopaedics, mini-invasive surgery, endoscopy and infection medicine can be identified as constantly developing programs. This aside, the burn centre (one of the three in the Czech Republic), children’s haematology and a transplantation centre provide super-specialised care.

Continuously growing interest in services of the university Hospital

More and more people who have learnt from their friends about the quality of services offered, desire to be treated at Ostrava University Hospital. The number of patients treated at the Outpatient Department exceeds 650 thousand every year. Hospitalisations exceed more than 45 thousand a year.

A modern obstetrics-gynaecological clinic and pedi atric medical clinic create the background for guaranteeing the highest possible level of care for the youngest patients.

It is primarily correct acute diagnostics that decide the proper treatment. In this respect, University Hospital Ostrava is equipped with the most advanced technology. Experienced doctors and radiologic laboratory staff rely for establishing a diagnosis not only on theoretical knowledge but also on the rich experience of daily clinical practice.

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