

Addresses in Brussels

Organizations that can be contacted for more information on medical support in case of voluntary return :

- **IOM (International Organisation for Migration)**
40 (rue) Montoyer(straat), 1000 Brussels
adasilva@iom.int
MRFBusselsREAB@iom.int
02/ 287.74.17 ou 02/ 287.70.00
- **Caritas International**
43 rue de la Charité/Liefdadigheidstraat,
1210 Brussels
reintegration@caritasint.be
02/ 229.35.86

Return partners in Brussels :

- **Caritas International** (02/ 229.36.11)
- **Centre Social Protestant/Protestants Sociaal Centrum** (02/ 500.10.11)
12, (rue) Cans (straat), 1050 Brussels
- **Croix-Rouge de Belgique** (02/ 371.31.55)
96, (rue) de Stalle(straat), 1180 Brussels
- **Solidarité Socialiste/Socialistische Solidariteit**
(02/ 533.39.84)
26-28, (rue) de Parme (straat), 1060 Brussels
- **Minor Ndako Vzw** (02/ 503.56.29)
76 rue chant d'oiseaux/Vogelenzagstraat,
1070 Brussels
- **Asbl Progrès** (02/ 280.09.46)
2, rue de la Pacification/Pacificatiestraat
1210 Brussels
- **Service Social Juif** (02/ 538.81.80)
68, (av.) Ducpétiaux (laan), 1060 Brussels

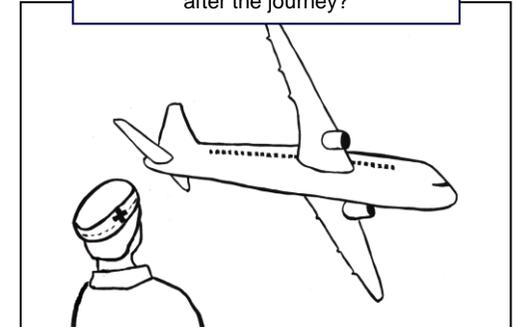
Or the refuge where you stay

The following pamphlets are available in French, Dutch, English, Spanish, Russian, Portuguese... You can download them for free from our website.

- Medimmigrant - Presentation
- Urgent Medical Assistance for people without legal stay
- Pregnancy, childbirth and postnatal care for women without legal stay
- Health insurance for people without legal stay or with a temporary stay
- (Short) Authorization of residence for medical reasons
- Mental health care for people without legal stay
- Visa for medical reasons + pledge of financial support
- What to do in case of a workplace accident if you were employed unofficially?
- Medical support when returning

Medical Support when Returning

What is possible before, during and after the journey?



Info by email and by phone

Telephonic permanence:

Mo: 10 am – 1 pm

Tue: 14 pm – 18 pm

Fri: 10 am – 1 pm

Tel. 02/ 274.14.33/34 ▪ Fax 02/ 274.14.48

E-mail: info@medimmigrant.be

www.medimmigrant.be

Postal address:

(! no consultations on the spot)

164, (rue) Gaucheret(straat) ▪ 1030 Brussels

Fortis: 001-2389649-33



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People come to Belgium for several reasons and; there are also reasons to return to the country of origin after a short or long stay in Belgium. For example, feeling homesick for the culture or the nature in your country, family members in the country of origin who need your support, you want to start an activity in your country of origin or start to work there.

Some people need extra medical support when they return. They can contact Caritas International or the International Organisation for Migration (IOM).

Which medical support can be provided by IOM or Caritas International?

IOM or Caritas will give you an appointment and will prepare your return, together with you. For the concrete details regarding follow-up in the country of origin, they work with colleagues or local partners. These persons are familiar with the country and they know where they can find e.g. the necessary medication, lodging, and so on. The return project is set up according to your concrete questions.

Before departure

- Contact family members or acquaintances in the country of origin in order to prepare the return
- Arrange admission in a hospital, a psychiatric institution, a revalidation center...
- Arrange for healthcare insurance
- Arrange medical supplies to take with you in case they are not accessible or not available in the country of origin (e.g. a wheelchair)
- ...

During the journey

- Provide medical staff during the flight
- Organize transportation in a lying down position
- Provide medical assistance at transfers
- Organize the use of medical material, e.g. a wheelchair
- ...

The organizations "SESO" and "CIRE" organize **meetings for people who are thinking of returning in the near or far future to their country of origin**. They support you concerning the practical and psychosocial aspects of "saying goodbye to Belgium". They will check the administrative actions that have to be executed such as ending the rental contract and other contracts and they offer psychosocial support in dealing with fear, doubt, hope....

For people who already have made up their mind to return, there are specific discussion groups which are being led by a psychologist. These reunions are preferably held in the mother tongue.

For more information contact: Emily Clissold, ecl@cire.be, 02/629.77.17 or Marie-Pierre Binamé, marie-pierre.biname@seso.be, 0470/99.90.16

Back in the country of origin

- Arrange reception at the airport by a partner of IOM or Caritas (if possible)
- Organize transportation by ambulance between the airport and the final destination (if necessary)
- Make practical arrangements for admittance into a medical institution (if necessary)
- Provide medication (obtained e.g. through neighboring countries)
- Inform family members regarding your treatment and provide formation if necessary
- ...



Other than medical support

IOM or Caritas International can :

- Help you at starting a small business
- Help to find accommodation or to start an education
- pay for the plane ticket (through the REAB-program of IOM)
- Make practical arrangements for returning, for ex. concerning luggage
- Provide financial as well as logistical support by applying for travel documents, through their international network
- Provide financial support to people within the criteria of the project to cover the basic needs at the moment of arrival in the country of origin
- Provide check-in and check-out assistance at the airport of departure, transit and arrival
- ...

Information on the situation in the country of origin

Planet search

Vluchtelingenwerk Vlaanderen gives you the possibility to ask questions concerning the political, juridical and social situation in your country of origin.

For more information :

Planet Search - Vluchtelingenwerk

Dita Demaku

02/ 274.00.30 - dita@vluchtelingenwerk.be

www.vluchtelingenwerk.be (-> vluchtelingenwerk -> helpdesks -> Planet search)

IRRICO-Project (Information on Return and Reintegration in Countries of Origin)

The IOM has local information points in about twenty countries and gather practical information that can help in case of a return.

More information:

IRRICO-Project - IOM Bruxelles

02/ 287.74.12 - MRFBusselsREAB@iom.int

You can find the list of lands as well as information materials and contact lists per country on www.iom.int/irrico