Vienna Health Association

Wilhelminenspital

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About the hospital

Wilhelminenspital is a hospital center with a total of sixteen medical departments, six institutes and three outpatient departments and has been providing medical and nursing care of the highest standards for over 100 years. It is situated in the western part of Vienna and was built as a system of separate pavilions. The hospital grounds cover 205,000 square meters and the number of systematized beds is 1,095 (as of November 2008). About 3,000 members of staff in 17 departments, three outpatient departments and six institutes care for the well-being and recovery of their patients.

About 51,716 patients were admitted to the Wilhelminenspital in 2007, the average duration of inpatient stays is 7.6 days. More than 3,000 staff members are employed in the fields of medicine, administration and technology.

For more information about the hospital please visit www.wienkav.at/wil

At the hospital

Due to Austrian law, you are not entitled to perform diagnostic examinations or give reports, unless you have an accepted Austrian licence / recognition of your medical degrees and specifications achieved in your country. So at present you can only watch and discuss during your Observership.

If you cannot attend your daily schedule the AAF office and your mentor must be informed.

All communication at the hospital is in German. Although your mentor shall try to translate some parts and discuss things in English, most communication is and will be this way (due to time constraints during routine work), which may impair the benefit you can draw from this visit.

On the first day

Your Observership will start the day after your arrival in Vienna. In your welcome folder you will find detailed information on when and where you will meet your mentor on the first day at.
On the first day at the hospital your mentor will want to see your passport and a copy of your medical licence and other diplomas (translated to German or English). Please make sure you have it with you! You will be informed about the required attendance at the hospital by your mentor and must follow these instructions.

You will be provided with a white coat as well as meal vouchers.

**How to get there**

You can either take tram no. 46 and get off at the station “Rankgasse” or you take underground Nr. 3 - U3 until station “Ottakring” and walk to the hospital (about 10 minutes).