



Medical Placement



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📍 Vietnam - Ho Chi Minh

Gain experience at a local hospital serving the residents of Ho Chi Minh. This program is ideal for persons currently working or studying in the medical field.

This project offers the rare opportunity of hospital work and practice alongside English-speaking Vietnamese doctors and nurses in Ho Chi Minh. Your level of interaction will depend upon your experience, confidence and qualifications. It is an ideal program for students and practitioners in the medical profession.

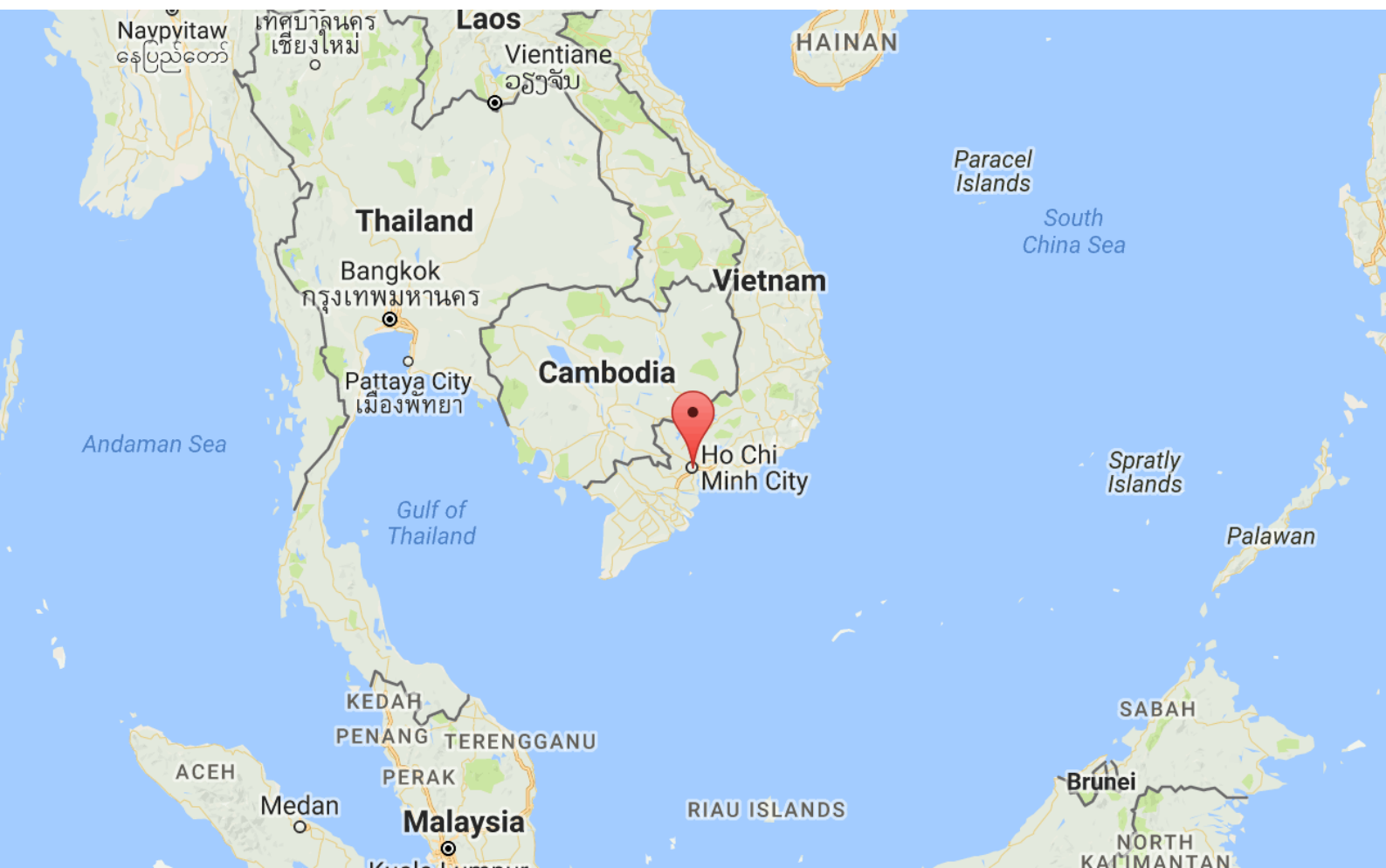


Ho Chi Minh

 All meals included	Yes (1)
 Free beverages	Yes (2)
 Persons per room	8
 Wifi in public areas	Yes
 Laundry facilities	Yes (3)
 Safety box	Yes
 Lockable rooms	Yes
 Hot shower	Yes
 Private bathroom	Yes
 Bed linen	Yes
 Towels	No
 Mosquito protection	No
 Fan	No
 Air conditioning	Yes

(1) On weekends brunch instead of breakfast and lunch
 (2) Water, coffee, tea at the accommodation

(3) At extra cost



Program Description

This program is based in a government-operated hospital, serving the community of Ho Chi Minh. Observation, recording and analysing will be a key part of this project. Upon arrival, you will discuss with the medical coordinator the full extent of your role during your placement.

You will have the opportunity to shadow nurses, doctors, and therapists. Depending on your choice, your daily tasks may consist of medication preparation, blood pressure measurement, and wound care. You may also work with staff in the acupuncture and occupational/physical therapy departments.

The medical coordinator will be present throughout your entire placement and will provide interpretation between Vietnamese and English if needed. Participants are allowed to be involved with medical issues and ask the staff questions.

The hospital has an x-ray room, a children's ward, an adult ward, a physiotherapy department, as well as an operating theatre, all of which participants will be actively involved in.

The exact roles played will depend upon the hospital's needs at the time. But you may expect that the longer you participate in this program, the more responsibilities and tasks will be assigned to you.

After gaining experience through your contribution to the hospital, you will be awarded a certificate at the end of your stay to reflect your accomplishments!

Program Duration & Availability

Min duration (weeks): 1

Aims & Objectives

- Offer effective treatment to citizens from Ho Chi Minh
- Give you experience and develop your pre-existing medical knowledge
- Exchange practices with the permanent medical staff at the hospital

Schedule

Monday

If this is your first week and you have signed up for Culture Week, you will start with an orientation with fellow participants consisting of a tour of Ho Chi Minh's cultural icons, Vietnamese language and culture classes. If you did not sign up for Culture Week, you will be given a brief orientation on Monday and begin your placement on Tuesday.

Tuesday to Friday

At the beginning of your placement, you will start with a full introduction to the hospital. At this point, you will also discuss your upcoming role at the project and be introduced to the equipment and the hospital's current policies. You will continue with your placement as directed, shadowing first before progressing to assisting with procedures depending on your comfort level.

This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.

Starting Dates

During 2017

This program starts every week.

During 2018

This program starts every week.

Participant Criteria & Requirements

Minimum age:	18
Maximum age:	-
Minimum English level:	Basic
CRB required:	On Arrival
Passport copy required:	On Signup
Resume copy required:	On Signup
Required qualification:	Medical Background

Additional Requirements

- You must have an established medical background – studying on a pre-medical track, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, occupational/physical therapy, or working in a relevant field.
- You will need to submit your qualifications (Medical study transcripts) and CV/Resume and a copy of your passport by email to the local team at least two weeks before beginning the program. Your documents will be sent to the hospital for review.

Additional Equipment

- Blue Scrubs (any shade)
- Closed toe shoes (no flip flops allowed)