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ECONOMIC CRISIS + HEALTHCARE CRISIS = MEDICAL TRAVEL

MEDRETREAT HELPS LIGHTEN THE LOAD FOR AMERICANS SEEKING AFFORDABLE SURGERY

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One of the proposed answers to our combined economic crisis and healthcare crisis in America is the option of overseas healthcare, now being called medical tourism. Americans are heading out of the U.S. in droves to seek affordable surgery in countries where healthcare is as low as 1/5th of the cost. Does this concern American doctors and hospitals? Absolutely. Although the casual observer might see this medical outsourcing trend as a threat to the U.S. health care system, there is more to the story than meets the eye...

Many medical professionals and health organizations see this new medical tourism trend as a potential igniter to spark the flame of needed healthcare reform in the United States. And, MedRetreat's managing director, Patrick Marsek agrees. "We will respectfully bow out of the medical tourism marketplace once truly affordable and accessible health care is available to every American citizen. If we can be a part of the impetus to real health care reform, and in the meantime, help people improve the quality of their lives by receiving affordable surgery overseas, then we've been a valuable resource to Americans. Valuable resources always have a place in society."

MedRetreat was established in 2003 to help American citizens receive safe, affordable, stress-free, and well-planned medical travel experiences. Judson Anglin, MedRetreat's director of facilitation, says; "The key to high success rates and overwhelming customer satisfaction lies within the MedRetreat process. We've taken all the guesswork out of medical tourism. We even offer a guarantee. Our program helps to bridge the confidence gap between our North American patients and the medical centers of excellence abroad."

Americans have high hopes for a new, more beneficial, system of health care. There are several organizations that have spearheaded campaigns around the topic of health care for all. Marsek adds, "Until health care reform becomes a reality, MedRetreat has pledged its support to various coalitions on health care reform though out the United States." Health care reform and medical tourism have many synergies. Mainly, the provision of timely access to affordable health care for all. "Again, we'd like to be a part of the long-term solution to the U.S. healthcare crisis by supporting the efforts of these agencies while offering the short-term option of providing affordable surgery abroad. This crisis could take several years to resolve, and, people need a viable solution in the meantime."

MedRetreat continues to be the leading medical tourism service agency in the U.S. by offering access to safe, affordable surgical procedures in nine countries around the world.

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