
UPMC, considers opportunities to join Moscow International Medical Cluster



[UPMC](#), world-renowned health care provider from USA, arrived on official visit to Russia by the invitation of Michael Yugay, the CEO of the International Medical Cluster Foundation (IMC Foundation).

IMC Foundation presented to UPMC International, a division of UPMC, a concept of the Moscow International Medical Cluster ([MIMC](#)) and the parties spoke about the opportunities of medical clinic development on the territory of the MIMC and about educational programs for Russian doctors.

After the working meetings with IMC Foundation team, UPMC International was showed the first medical facility of the MIMC – diagnostic and outpatient center, – which planned to be open for patients at the beginning of the next year, and an infrastructure of the Skolkovo Innovation Center accessible for MIMC’s residents.

During the excursion around the Skolkovo IC, IMC Foundation and UPMC International held a meeting with Skolkovo Institute of Science and Technology ([Skoltech](#)) representative to converse about ways of synergy for science and clinical research projects.

UPMC International provides hands-on health care and management services with partners in 12 countries on four continents. Another division of UPMC, UPMC Enterprises, functions as the innovation and commercialization arm.

It is UPMC’s belief that everyone have access to the best health care without having to leave their country or region: with 200,000 Russians leaving the country per year, Moscow is well suited to not only treat their domestic population, but to become a healthcare destination of choice. UPMC is interested in business development in Russia due to a unique legislation environment in Moscow International Medical Cluster for medical clinics from member countries of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). OECD-registered licenses are acknowledged within MIMC’s territory without any extra licensing required: medical protocols, medicines, medical devices and certificates for medical, educational, R&D specialists according the Federal Law “On the International Medical Cluster” №160-FZ, 2015.

A \$14 billion world-renowned health care provider and insurer, Pittsburgh-based UPMC is inventing new models of patient-centered, cost-effective, accountable care. UPMC provides nearly \$900 million a year in benefits to its communities, including more care to the region’s most vulnerable citizens than any other health care institution. The largest nongovernmental employer in Pennsylvania, UPMC integrates 65,000 employees, more than 25 hospitals, 600 doctors’ offices and outpatient sites, and a more than 3.2 million-member Insurance Services Division, the largest medical and behavioral health services insurer in western Pennsylvania. Affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh Schools of the Health Sciences, UPMC ranks No. 12 in the prestigious U.S. News & World Report annual Honor Roll of America’s Best Hospitals. UPMC have nationally ranked care in 15 specialties: cancer, cardiology/heart surgery, endocrinology, ear, nose, and throat, gastroenterology, gynecology, geriatrics, nephrology, neurology and neurosurgery, ophthalmology, orthopedic surgery, psychiatry, pulmonology, rehabilitation, rheumatology, urology.

“UPMC believes everyone should have access to the best possible care, without having to leave their country or region. This belief drives us to share our clinical, technological, and managerial knowledge and expertise with partners around the world, customizing solutions so that patients and regions benefit and thrive”, said Charles E. Bogosta, president of UPMC International.

“MIMC aims to bring together in one venue a number of leading medical clinics, facilitating transfer of world-class knowledge, expertise and technologies to the Russian healthcare system. UPMC is one of the world-renowned leaders not only in medical care, but also in clinical

research. That's why it is critically important for us to see interest towards the cluster from organizations of such scale. This February we launched an international road show to attract foreign investors and operators to the cluster. At the moment we are negotiating with 20 medical and educational organizations from Israel, Austria, Italy, Germany, France, Spain, USA, and South Korea", said Mikhail Yugay, CEO of the IMC Foundation.

The Moscow International Medical Cluster is established by the Government of Moscow on 57 hectares within the Skolkovo Innovation Center. The Government of Moscow committed to make investments in construction of pilot objects of the cluster and creation of related infrastructure. The first medical facility of the cluster – the diagnostics & outpatient center – is expected to be opened to patients in the beginning of 2018. The MIMC will also include a multi-profile hospital and more than 10 specialized clinics – centers of excellence – focused on Russia's most critical areas, including oncology, cardiology, orthopedics, multidisciplinary rehabilitation, neurology, childhood diseases, and other.

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