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Health Above all

Prof. Ronni Gamzu

Dear passengers,

If I asked you what the body's most important and mysterious organ was, what would you answer? To me, it's undoubtedly obvious that it's the brain. At the core of our nervous system, the brain is our body's control center. It receives information from the infinite stimuli we are exposed to and lets the rest of the body know how to respond to each of them. It is in charge of processing experiences, feelings, memories and sensations. Its cruciality puts it at the forefront of scientific research. At Ichilov hospital, we allocate vast resources to the department of neurology, where brain and nervous system disorders are diagnosed and treated, among which strokes, memory impairment, etc. Every day, our neurosurgeons operate on patients suffering from a range of issues, and our psychiatry department conducts research on the connection between brain function and mental disorders, while the Sagol Brain Institute leads extensive research on the human brain via neuroimaging. Our next step is the creation of an institute entirely devoted to every aspect of brain studies and neurology. We are convinced that through cooperation, collaborative research and a holistic approach, the treatment of brain disorders will exponentially improve in the years to come. Until then, I wish you all a pleasant flight.

Yours, **Ronni**

Professor Ronni Gamzu is the CEO of the Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center—Ichilov Hospital

MEDICAL TOURISM IN TLV

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* The Tel Aviv Sourasky (Ichilov) Medical Center is a public-sector healthcare facility and treats patients from all over the world. Why choose Ichilov? Israel's healthcare is world-renowned for its personalized approach to every patient. The Tel Aviv Sourasky (Ichilov) Medical Center is a public-sector healthcare facility and treats patients from all over the world, providing highly professional medical care and consultation to thousands of patients, adults and pediatric on both an inpatient and outpatient basis. We are constantly upgrading our facilities to make sure they feature state-of-the-art technologies, from cutting-edge diagnostic tests to the most advanced laboratory methods. Before arriving, we request that prospective patients send us the results of diagnostic tests done at home so that our doctors can review them and make a personalized examination and treatment

plan. This will help avoid repeated testing upon arrival, saving you precious time and money. A cost estimate will be provided in advance to give you an approximation of the expected treatment costs. We have Russian-speaking and English-speaking designated coordinators who will accompany you every step of the way, from arrival to discharge. At the end of your stay at our hospital, you will receive all of your test results, in English or in Russian, at no extra charge. Your treatment coordinator and our medical staff will be happy to answer your questions regarding further recovery and follow-up. For more information visit <https://ichilov-clinic.gov.il/> or email us at medtour@tlvmc.gov.il



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CANCER TREATMENT

* You're in good hands: 10 of our oncologists have been ranked among Israel's best physicians by Forbes 2021. Ichilov Medical Center offers a series of medical tests aimed at prevention and early detection of cancer. Treatment strategy is selected according to the cancer type and severity, presence or absence of metastases, and the unique characteristics of each patient. Our world-class specialists are expert in treating many different types of cancer in adult and pediatric patients,

including: breast cancer, brain tumors, thyroid cancer, lung cancer, gastric cancer, pancreatic cancer, head and neck cancer, esophageal cancer, orthopedic oncology, skin cancer, bladder cancer, kidney cancer, prostate cancer, vaginal cancer, uterine cancer, cervical cancer, testicular cancer, ovarian cancer, blood cancer, colorectal cancer, lymphoma, sarcoma and more. Our unique experience in treating children with various forms of cancer allows us to work wonders in curing our young patients.

SURGICAL DEPARTMENTS

* Ichilov Hospital uses cutting-edge surgical technologies for a wide variety of surgical interventions in adult and pediatric patients, including complex cancer surgeries, cardiovascular surgery, chest and heart surgery, brain and cranial base surgery, urinary tract surgery, head and neck surgery, spinal surgery and organ transplantations.

At Ichilov, we use the Da Vinci System – a robotic surgical system. The system uses a minimally invasive surgical approach, helping to avoid large cuts and minimizing side effects. Our surgeons closely collaborate with every other department of the hospital, to create a personalized diagnostics and treatment plan for each individual patient.

MY EXPERIENCE

* My name is Anastasia Tarasova, age 29. I'm from the Republic of Moldova. Four years ago, I was diagnosed with diffuse large B-cell lymphoma. All of my treatments were at Tel Aviv Sourasky (Ichilov) Medical Center. In 2019, I had bone marrow transplantation. I want to say that sometimes there is no time, no second chance, sometimes it's now or never. I'm glad that we have



decided to undergo treatment in Ichilov. I was in the best place, with the best doctors, great people, with a real family attitude. It's the place where you don't feel alone. My doctor and all of the team, from the first day till today, take care about me despite the fact that I'm far away.