



**UVN**



## The Central Military **HOSPITAL PRAGUE** – A SAFE HOSPITAL

The Central Military Hospital Prague (Ústřední vojenská nemocnice Praha – ÚVN) is a top-standard medical facility, which has been providing high standard medical services since its founding seventy years ago.

This fact was affirmed in 2004, when the hospital was awarded the JCI (Joint Commission International) accreditation, and thus became the first hospital in the Czech Republic, and indeed in all Central and Eastern Europe, to obtain this prestigious international accreditation certificate awarded to hospitals that provide patients with medical care and safety of the highest possible standard. The certificate is valid for three years only. In 2007, ÚVN Praha successfully defended its statute of an accredited hospital.

ÚVN Praha provides a comprehensive range of medical care, with the exception of paediatrics, obstetrics, and cardio surgery.

The priority of ÚVN is emergency medicine. A heliport situated on the roof of the ÚVN pavilion allows patients to be admitted directly from the helicopter to the hospital pavilion. The heliport at ÚVN is the only one in the Czech Republic. It is fully technologically equipped and allows landing at night.

**ÚVN Praha also operates five clinics with 20 specialised departments that carry out highly specialised surgery and treatment, especially in the following areas:**

- The Internal Clinic provides specialised gastroenterological and cardiological examinations and treatment.
- The Neurosurgical Clinic is the leading medical facility in the Czech Republic for brain tumour and blood vessel surgery. In February 2008, a multifunctional operating room was opened with magnetic resonance imaging for neurosurgical interventions. This unique facility enables a surgeon to visualise affected brain tissue which must be removed with high resolution and millimetre accuracy. The multifunctional operating room at ÚVN is a unique assembly of its kind. There are only two similar facilities worldwide, in Belgium and Arizona.
- The Surgical Clinic specialises in surgery of the digestive tract, liver, and pancreas.
- The Ophthalmological Clinic carries out highly specialised outer and inner-eye surgery with a specialisation in cataract, glaucoma, vitreoretinal operations and transplantations (the Clinic operates its own eye tissue bank), as well as all types of laser treatment.
- The Otorhinolaryngological (ORL) Clinic diagnoses outpatients and treats them for otological, otoneurological, rhinological, endocrino-surgical and oncological conditions. It is fitted with the most modern technical equipment and facilities in the whole of the Czech Republic.

In November 2005, the da Vinci robotic surgical system was put into operation at ÚVN Praha. It is used for urological, gynaecological, and surgical operations. The urological department team uses the robot for radical prostatectomy in prostate carcinoma patients. The success of ÚVN's urological department was highlighted in 2006, when it was declared the most productive robotic department in the Czech Republic in that year.

ÚVN Praha also functions as a training, educational, and medical treatment facility for the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic, providing medical care both to the civilian population as well as examining the condition of active servicemen and those applying for military service in the Armed Forces. Furthermore, ÚVN Praha trains medical personnel for military missions undertaken abroad.



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