THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM in the Czech Republic may be different from the system in your country of origin!

Everyone should be registered with:

- General practitioner (GP)/children with a paediatrician,
- dentist,
- women at the gynecologist.

All patients have regular preventive check-ups with these doctors, which are free of charge (covered by health insurance). Prevention helps to prevent the onset of any acute problems. Parents are obliged to visit the paediatrician regularly with their child!

If you need to see another specialist doctor (e.g. cardiologist, endocrinologist, neurologist, diabetologist, etc.), your **GP** (paediatrician in the case of children) **will write a referral/recommendation**.

- If you have a check-up with one of the specialists, you should have a follow-up examination at the recommended intervals.

!!! Remember that if you have an appointment with the doctor, it is necessary to arrive on time !!! If you are unable to arrive, you need to apologise/call in advance and arrange an alternative date.

ACUTE CARE	
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE - 112
Sudden onset of non-life threatening health problems!	Sudden onset of serious health problems that are directly life threatening!
 You will usually find them in hospitals, including accident emergency departments. A regulatory fee is paid for emergency department	 severe injury, impaired consciousness, breathing, poisoning, allergies or other deterioration of health that may lead to long-term or permanent consequences, or
assistance.	even sudden death
The emergency department operates outside the normal working hours of doctors (i.e. in the evening or at the weekend).	It works nonstop.

112 – this is a universal European number (firefighters, ambulance, police). You can call the number even without a SIM card or phone credit, and even in places without a signal. The operators on the line also speak foreign languages.

IN PRACTICE: In the Czech Republic, the healthcare system is of a high standard, but nonetheless, a doctor may not register you due to a full capacity. In that case, you need to persist in your search for a doctor or contact someone who can help you find one.







