

THE ROLE OF PRIVATE CLINICS IN PUBLIC HEALTH CARE**Pulatova Lola Uktamjonovna****Termiz University of Economics and Service****Termiz city, street of Farovon, 4B-house**e-mail: Pulatovalola04@gmail.com<https://orcid.org/0000-0003-4554-2156>*Received: Feb 30, 2024; Accepted: March 30, 2024; Published: Apr 22, 2024;***Abstract**

In the course of reforms carried out in the years of independence in the field of health care, special attention was paid to the development of private sector activities along with state medical institutions. Strengthening all-round support for the development of the private sector in the health sector, creating the necessary conditions for private medical institutions to provide high-tech quality medical services to the population, expanding foreign investments, and attracting highly qualified specialists to the private medical sector, as well as medical tourism and to develop the export of medical services.

Keywords: health, sanitary norms, gynecology, urology, neurology, endocrinology, cardiology.**Аннотация.**

В ходе реформ, проведенных в годы независимости в сфере здравоохранения, особое внимание уделялось развитию деятельности частного сектора наряду с государственными медицинскими учреждениями. Усиление всесторонней поддержки развития частного сектора в сфере здравоохранения, создание необходимых условий для предоставления частным медицинским учреждениям высокотехнологичных качественных медицинских услуг населению, расширение иностранных инвестиций, привлечение высококвалифицированных специалистов в частную медицинскую помощь. сектор, а также медицинский туризм и развивать экспорт медицинских услуг.

Ключевые слова: здоровье, санитарные нормы, гинекология, урология, неврология, эндокринология, кардиология.This is an open-access article under the [CC-BY 4.0](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/) license**INTRODUCTION.** The following should be defined as the main directions and tasks of the further development of the private sector in the field of health care:

creation of favorable conditions for the activation and expansion of the network of private medical institutions in all regions of our country, improvement of the system of regulation and licensing of their activities, systematic resolution of issues that prevent the sustainable development of the private sector in the field of health care;

comprehensively encourage the expansion of the scope and types of services aimed at providing high-quality medical care to a wide population, including citizens in need of social protection, with the wide use of modern high-tech methods of diagnosis and treatment of private medical institutions encourage;

strengthening the material and technical base of private medical institutions, equipping them with modern medical equipment, special inventory and tools, providing them with buildings and rooms suitable for the type of medical specialties and meeting the requirements of sanitary norms and rules;

to radically increase the scope and volume of financial support to private medical institutions by actively involving convenient credit and leasing mechanisms, to expand the attraction of foreign investments in the field of private medicine, to establish treatment-diagnostic institutions in cooperation with leading foreign clinics and medical centers;

The Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Health Care of Citizens" adopted in 1996 became an important legal basis in this matter.

As a result of the consistent implementation of measures in this direction, a wide network of private medical institutions has been formed in our country and provides services to the population. In order to continuously support such structures, a system of regulation and licensing of the activities of private medical institutions was created. Tax and other financial incentives were given to private medical institutions. Such measures serve as an important factor in the development of the industry.

The decisions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev "On creating additional conditions for the further development of private medical organizations" expanded the possibilities in this regard. According to the Ministry of Health, private medical organizations increased by 2.7 times in 2023 compared to 2017, and their number reached 8,560 from 3,200.

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In recent years, as a result of increasing the share of the private sector in the medical system of our country, creating its legal mechanisms, and providing them with wide privileges, the number of hospitals in this direction is increasing.

In Surkhandarya region, in the process of protecting public health, increasing the quality and efficiency of medical services, the role of private clinics is increasing among the state medical institutions.



One of such medical facilities, the private clinic "HOSPITAL SULTAN" in Termiz city, started functioning at the beginning of this year. The institution provides medical services in such areas as gynecology, urology, neurology, endocrinology, cardiology. Ultrasound, EKG, laboratory, Necessary conditions are created in physiotherapy rooms.





More than 35 billion soums were invested in the construction and equipment of the "Hospital Sultan" private clinic. About 50 new jobs were created here, and 60 places for inpatient treatment were created.

- **Competition among private hospitals is strong. If we observe people around us, do they turn to private clinics more?**

In the period from 1996 to 2010, people thought that private clinics were of the lowest quality, with incompetent doctors gathered and opened only to make money. In the period after that, private clinics gradually covered themselves financially and began to gain prestige. The first reason is that medicine depends on the individual.

A large number of private clinics provide jobs for doctors. In addition, it helps to keep experienced personnel in Uzbekistan. That's why many experienced doctors left for foreign countries. For example, they went to African countries, Russia and Yemen. Now we call and use experienced doctors from abroad. Another aspect is that having unique equipment in our country does not leave the need for patients to go abroad for treatment. Therefore, the number of patients traveling to other countries for treatment of ophthalmological diseases has decreased. If you go to any clinic now, you will see patients waiting in line. This indicates that there is a demand in the market. Therefore, entrepreneurs who want to start a business in the field of medicine can start without fear. It is enough to have a good team - qualified specialists, experienced operators, and on the other hand, all conditions are sufficient.

- **For information, a private medicine support system has been launched. For example, today non-governmental medical organizations have given a number of benefits until January 1, 2025. Including:**

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| 1 | New ambulances brought to the territory of the republic for their own needs are exempted from import customs duty; |
| 2 | There are customs benefits for imported new medical equipment, components and their spare parts and consumables; |

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| 3 | Exemption from value added tax when importing consumables into the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan |
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- **Conclusion:** Naturally, the more supply there is in the market, the lower the prices. For example, the price of service on our route is much cheaper compared to neighboring countries. This is not a sign of people's lack of money, but of the large number of private clinics and the existence of competition. Let's say that some of the operations we do are two to three times more expensive in neighboring countries. That is why many of them come to us for treatment.

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