



Travel & Ground Transportation Information

35th Annual Fall Conference on PEDIATRIC EMERGENCIES
 Dreams Playa Bonita Panama Resort & Spa | Playa Bonita, Panama
 October 23-26, 2019



Please see the following information on air and ground transportation. If you haven't registered for this conference, please go online to www.symposiamedicus.org to register.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (925) 969-1789, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm, (Pacific Time) or email travel-tours@symposiamedicus.org.

HOTEL INFORMATION

DREAMS PLAYA BONITA PANAMA RESORT & SPA

KM 7 Road to Veracruz
 Playa Bonita, Panama
 Phone: (866) 237-3267

AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

You will fly into the **Tocumen International Airport (PTY)**, which is approximately 25 miles from Dreams Playa Bonita Panama Resort & Spa. Depending on traffic, the drive time can be anywhere from 40 minutes to over an hour.

Symposia Medicus has arranged for discount fares with Delta and United airlines for this conference. To view more information, including airline discount codes, please visit the **Conference Registration, Lodging, and Travel Information** section of our online brochure at <https://bit.ly/2Zo8DIL>.

PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS & IMMIGRATION

ALL PERSONS traveling by air between the United States and Panama are required to present a valid passport to enter or re-enter the United States.

We suggest you allow a minimum of two to three months to obtain or renew your passport. Generally, your passport cannot expire within 6 months after the date of your trip; however, each country varies, so check with your local passport agency to verify. For more information, please visit <http://travel.state.gov>.

Children must also have valid passports. Children traveling with an adult other than their parent or with only one parent must carry notarized written permission from any parent or guardian not traveling with the child to or from Panama. This permission must include the name of the parent, the name of the child, the name of anyone traveling with the child, and the notarized signature(s) of the absent parent(s). The State Department recommends that the permission should include travel dates, destinations, airlines, and a brief summary of the circumstances surrounding the travel. The child must be carrying the original letter – not a facsimile or scanned copy – as well as proof of the parent/child relationship (usually a birth certificate or court document) – and an original custody decree, if applicable.

If you have adopted children, please be sure to have your adoption papers with you.

If you live in the United States and are not a U.S. citizen, we recommend that you check with U.S. Immigration regarding your particular situation.

Upon your arrival in Panama you will go through immigration and customs and upon your departure you will have to clear U.S. customs and immigration at your first point of entry back into the U.S.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Option #1 – Personalized Shared Transportation

We have arranged with PANAMAZING DMC, our selected tour company in Panama, to provide Symposia Medicus conference members with transportation (only) to/from Dreams Playa Bonita Panama Resort & Spa and the airport. The transportation is available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week.

If you would like to reserve ground transportation, please visit <https://www.panamazingdmc.com/symposiamedicus2019/>

Reservation Deadline – Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Please make sure to book your transportation under the conference participant/hotel guest name.

The transportation charges below will be billed to your hotel room at Dreams Playa Bonita Panama Resort & Spa.

- \$26.00/person, one-way (not including gratuity) – minimum of two people (if you are the only person being transported, you will be charged \$52.00 one-way).
- \$52.00/person, round-trip (not including gratuity)

Arrivals – Please look for the Symposia Medicus logo to the RIGHT side, after you exit customs. Their standard procedure is to monitor your flight arrival information that day, and adjust your pick-up time accordingly, in the event of a delay.

Departures – Your driver will pick you up from the lobby of the hotel at your confirmed pick-up time.

Changes or cancellations – Please email Maria Urbano murbano@panamazing.com at least 72 hours prior to your confirmed arrival date, should you have changes to your flight or if you need to cancel. Penalties will apply if notice is not received at least 72 hours prior.

Option #2 – Taxis

Taxis cost approximately \$90.00 USD one-way for up to two people. Additional charges may apply for additional occupants. You may be approached by people asking to take you to a taxi. They expect a tip for walking you outside to a taxi, however, they are not the actual taxi driver. If you step outside you will see taxis are widely available, some may not be metered, so agree on your price before you get in.

PARKING

Self and valet parking are complimentary at the resort.