Although you will never be refused admission to the hospital or left on the street by an ambulance because you cannot provide a credit card, it is essential that you are insured to cover medical expenses. If you suffer a catastrophic illness or injury and do not have insurance, you may be required to make a deposit between \$5,000 and \$15,000. Daily bed costs will be high, and a private room will cost around \$1,000 per day; Hospitals sometimes pass debts on to debt collectors who may follow you to your .country and demand payment on behalf of their clients