

GUIDELINES FOR ROTARIANS ACCOMPANYING INTERPLAST TEAMS

Interplast procedure for acceptance of a Rotarian to join a program:

Rotarians who are members of the Club or District that raised the money to fund an entire program (currently \$40,000AUD) are eligible to nominate as a Rotarian Observer to join the program. Rotarians need to complete an 'Expression of Interest Form' available from the Interplast District Chair and submit the completed document to the Interplast Rotarians Committee, who will recommend a candidate. The Interplast Board of Directors will then ratify the recommendation and the candidates notified.

Role of the Rotarian Observer

The objective of a Rotarian joining a program is to observe an Interplast team at work, so they can see first hand the lives changed by their donation, convey this to the Club or District that raised the funds, and inspire others to raised funds for Interplast.

Rotarians are to acknowledge they are 'observers' – part of a professional team – they will be afforded every courtesy and given as much information as possible, while at all times are under the direction of the Team Leader.

It is expected the Rotarian will travel with the team to the destination country and observe the team working where possible for 3 – 4 days and then return home.

Rotarians should be of good health and able to understand and accept conditions in developing countries.

Rotarians are asked to observe, photograph (within guidelines) and gather information so they can equip themselves to come back to their Club and District as an Interplast Ambassador.

On return the Rotarian should be willing and able to promote the work of Interplast throughout other Rotary Clubs, District Assembly and District Conference.

If there is no District Interplast Committee operating within their District they should use their best endeavours to have the District Governor establish such a Committee and assist in its formation and on-going viability.

Interplast will coordinate airfares, accommodation, and visas (if required). Any further expenses pertaining to the program, within reason, will be reimbursed upon presentation of receipts. Please note each program is different and in some cases you may be required to pay for some of these items as you incur them, however you will be reimbursed upon your return with the appropriate documentation.

Rotary Observer will be required to

- Provide a Medical Certificate stating fitness to travel to a developing country
- Provide a current Police check
- Provide a current Working with Children check
- Complete an Interplast Volunteer Registration Form which will be provided

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