

## (II) Railway

There are both high-speed and regular-speed train services in Guangzhou. Tickets for high-speed trains are divided into business-class, special-class, first-class, second-class, and standing room (business-class and standing-room tickets are available only for a limited number of trains). Tickets for regular-speed trains are divided into high-class soft berth, soft berths, hard berth, soft seats, hard seats, and standing room (high-class soft sleepers and soft sleepers are available only on certain trains to priority destinations). Trains generally fall into two categories: air-conditioned and non-air-conditioned. High-speed trains and long-distance trains have food carriages for passengers.

China's rail transport system has rapidly expanded in recent years, providing travelers with an economical, comfortable and speedy means of transport. High-speed trains depart daily from Guangzhou for Beijing, Shijiazhuang, Zhengzhou, Wuhan, Changsha, Shanghai, Nanjing, Hangzhou, Fuzhou, Hefei, Nanchang, Jinan, Xi'an, Nanning, Guiyang, Chengdu, Chongqing and other provincial capitals, arriving at the destinations on the same day, and there are also regular-speed trains heading for other provincial capitals with the exception of Taiwan, Macao and Hong Kong. Train tickets can be booked at the rail ticket offices throughout the city. The ticketing halls at the railway stations sell tickets, accept returned tickets, and change tickets to a different travel date or time. Train tickets can also be booked on the website of the China Railway Customer Service Center ([www.12306.cn](http://www.12306.cn)) or by dialing 020-12306.

Guangzhou has four railway stations: Guangzhou Railway Station, in Yuexiu District; Guangzhou East Railway Station, in Tianhe District; Guangzhou South Railway Station, in Panyu District; and Guangzhou North Railway Station, in Huadu District.

Guangzhou Railway Station primarily provides services to Beijing, Shanghai, Wuhan, Chengdu, Chongqing, Guiyang, Lhasa, Urumqi, Nanning, Haikou, Xi'an, Yinchuan, and Ningbo. Guangzhou East Railway Station provides services to Kowloon of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Shantou, Kunming, Harbin, Changchun, as well as major eastern Chinese cities along the Beijing-Kowloon Railway and megacities such as Beijing and Shanghai. Guangzhou South Railway Station mainly provides inter-city high-speed train services to Zhuhai and Shenzhen and operates high-speed trains which arrive at their destinations on the same day.



Railway Information: Guangzhou Railway Customer Service Center  
Tel.: 020-12306

## (III) Coach Transportation

Coach stations can be found in the city center, in the suburbs, and around the railway stations. They provide services to all cities and counties in the province. There are also luxury coaches and sleeper coaches to major cities around the country.

## Coach Stations In Guangzhou

Coach Station	Address	Phone	WeChat Public
Provincial Coach Station	147-149 West Huanshi Road, Guangzhou	86661297	gmcqz
Guangzhou Coach Station	158 West Huanshi Road, Guangzhou	86667835 86676803	gzkyz2014
Tianhe Coach Station	633 Yanling Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou	37085070	gzhkyz
East Railway Station Coach Station	43 West Yudong Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou	87705008 87705009	gdrqz
Fangcun Coach Station	51 Central Huadi Avenue, Liwan District, Guangzhou	81505555 81405555	gzfangcun
Jiaokou Coach Station	533 West Fangcun Avenue, Guangzhou	81546602	gzjiaokou
Laoshengwei Coach Station	251-255, Zengcha Road, Guangzhou	81999065 81982052	gz_lowkyz
Yuefuzhen Coach Station	2 Dongyuanheng Road, Yuexinan Road, Guangzhou	83833949	yxkyz
Haihu Coach Station	182 Nanzhou Road, Guangzhou	84013330	kyhaizu
Guangyuan Coach Station	283 Central Guangzhou Road, Guangzhou	86376666 86379888	Guangyuan busstation
Huangpu Coach Station	1078 Huangpu East Road, Huangpu District, Guangzhou	82383168	gzhuangpu
Guangzhou South Coach Station	6 South Station Road North, Panyu District, Guangzhou	39267219 36267222	gzmkyz
Yongtai Coach Station	75 Huixian Road, Baiyun District, Guangzhou	36200122	gyyongtai
Xianao Coach Station	Xianao Section, West of Guangzhou-Huadu Highway, Baiyun District, Guangzhou	86080955 86082959	gyyongtai
Guangzhou-Foshan Coach Station	95 Zhongshan Road VIII, Guangzhou	81815490	



## (IV) Intracity Transportation

### 1. Metro

Established in 1992, Guangzhou Metro Corporation (GMC) is a large-scaled state-owned enterprise affiliated with Guangzhou Municipal Government. Under the philosophy of “helping Guangzhou speed up”, GMC is dedicated to operating an efficient metro system which makes it easy to get around the city. The company is responsible for the financing, development and operation of the city’s metro system; it’s also engaged in the development of residential and commercial property along the metro lines.

There are currently nine metro lines in operation in Guangzhou, with a total operation mileage of 266 kilometers, the third longest in China. The metro network is a safe, reliable and efficient way to get around Guangzhou. Fares start at RMB 2 and can be paid with the “Yangcheng Tong” card. For more information, visit [www.gzmtr.com](http://www.gzmtr.com).

Service Hotlines: 96891, 83289999, 4008812830

### 2. Buses

Public buses in Guangzhou have no conductors and passengers are expected to prepare the exact payment or use the “Yang Cheng Tong” (or “Lingnan Pass”) magnetic card to pay the fare. Fare is RMB 2 for all major routes in the city regardless of the distance. On some routes, passengers may

pay a portion of the full fare (called section fare). A 40% discount is given to passengers who use “Yang Cheng Tong” to pay fares for rides on buses (metro trains and “water buses”) more than 15 times in a calendar month. A passenger may bring a luggage onto a bus with up to 30 kilograms in weight, 0.1 cubic meters in volume, and 1.6 meters in height (length). The luggages that are more than 30 kilograms in weight, over 0.1 cubic meters in volume or over 1.6 meters in height (length) (with the exception of strollers, necessary supporting tools such as wheelchair and guide stick for the disabled, as well as folding bicycle that does not exceed the above specification) are not allowed on the bus. Passengers should take care of carry-on articles to protect them from stealing. Luggages cannot occupy the seat or block the aisle (strollers, folding bicycles and wheelchairs, etc. should be folded properly).

### 3. Water Buses (including ferry services)

As of July 2016, there were 14 “water bus” routes with 28 wharfs in Guangzhou. Fare is RMB 2/person-time for air-conditioned “water bus” routes less than 10 kilometers long, and for each additional 10 kilometers, the fare increases by RMB 1/person-time. Fare for non-air-conditioned “water buses” is half of the fare for air-conditioned ones. Unless they are explicitly allowed, each passenger can only carry baggage whose total weight up to 20 kilograms, whose volume up to 0.3 cubic meters, or whose sum of exterior dimensions equal to or less than 1.5 meters (for stick items, their dimension up to 2 meters is allowed). Baggage that does not meet the above specification is not allowed on the ship. This rule does not apply to wheelchairs, guide sticks and other tools used by disabled people. Fares for “water buses” can be paid with cash or “Yang Cheng Tong”. A 40% discount is given to passengers who use “Yang Cheng Tong” to pay fares for rides on “water buses” (or bus, metro) more than 15 times in a calendar month.

### 4. Taxis

In Guangzhou, taxi fares start at RMB 10 for the first 2.5 kilometers and increase by RMB 2.6 for each additional kilometer in trips of up to 35 kilometers. For trips over 35 kilometers, an additional 50% of the meter fare applies. A waiting fee of RMB 26 per hour applies, and there is no bunker adjustment surcharge and night surcharge. Tolls for roads and bridges requiring additional fees are to be additionally paid by the passenger. Taxi drivers and front-seat passengers must wear safety belts. Ask for a machine-printed fare receipt at the end of your trip, and don't



forget to take your baggage.

For more information on coach, bus and “water bus” services, dial 96900 or use “Xing Xun Tong” to inquire the real-time arrival conditions of buses. To request taxi service, dial 96900 and then press “2”; in case of dissatisfaction with operation and services of the transportation of coach buses departing or entering the regular bus terminals and the public transportation in Guangzhou, call the transportation service hotline 96900 and then press “1” for enquiries, feedbacks and complaints. In case of loss of baggage in buses or taxis, seek assistance for the public security department, and dial 96900 to offer the information about the vehicle's plate number, driver license, and fare receipt for registration and transmitting according to relevant regulations specified in the Regulations for Lost & Found Goods Management of Guangzhou (GOGMG [2015] No. 31).

### III. Telecom, Banking & Postal Services

#### (I) Telecom and Mobile Services

International Direct Dialing (IDD) calls can be placed from the guestrooms of most hotels in Guangzhou. Hotels typically add a 10-15% service surcharge to the IDD bill. International and domestic long-distance calls can also be made via a public telephone with an IP card or a prepaid calling card available at stores. To apply for the installation of a telephone or broadband Internet access, dial 10000 (China Telecom) or 10050 (China Tietong) or visit a business outlet of the telecom operator. Internet access services are also available in guestrooms and business centers of hotels and in cybercafes. Both GSM and CDMA mobile communications networks are in operation in Guangzhou, and wireless Internet access services are offered.

For more information, visit any telecom service outlet or call:

10086 (China Mobile)

10010 (China Unicom)

#### (II) Banking Services

The outlets of all major banks in Guangzhou provide foreign currency exchange and re-exchange services. Foreign currency can be changed into renminbi at three-star and higher hotels. All star-rated hotels and some restaurants, department stores and supermarkets accept overseas credit cards. Most outlets of the Bank of China provide cashing or collection services for travelers' checks.

#### (III) Postal & Courier Services

Post offices can be found throughout the city. They are open seven days a week and provide services related to international and domestic letters, parcels, express mail, international business correspondence, telegrams, telephone calls and telex. There are also postal savings offices offering savings, remittance and telegraphic transfer services. Green mailboxes for domestic and international mail can be found on all major streets.



### IV. Guide to Temporary Lodging

Under the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Administration of Entry and Exit and the Guangdong Administrative Provisions on the Security of Leased Properties, for personal and property safety, foreigners (including those who are stateless) should abide by the following rules after arriving in Guangzhou:

#### (I) Instructions for Temporary Lodging Registration & Property Leasing

1. A foreigner who intends to lodge in a place other than a hotel should, within 24 hours of his or her arrival, register or have his or her host register with the local police station. For foreigners who are lodged in hotels and other hospitality establishments, the hospitality establishments should register their lodging with the police.

2. Properties leased to foreign nationals should conform to safety requirements. Property owners should complete property lease registration and filing formalities with the authorities. To register lodging, the lodger should provide the following documents:

(1) A photocopy of the lodger's passport or the personal information page (with

photo) of his or her valid identity paper and valid visa;

(2) A photocopy of the lease agreement and the property title deed if he or she has rented a property;

(3) A one-inch square photo if he or she is registering for temporary lodging;

(4) The host's household register or national identity card if he or she is lodged in the house of a Chinese resident;

(5) The host's valid entry and exit document if he or she is lodged in the house of a foreigner;

(6) A certificate of lodging issued by the host institution if he or she is lodged with an institution.

#### (II) Instructions for Formalities

1. To work in China, a foreigner should obtain a work permit and a work-related residence permit.

2. For a foreign baby born in China, his or her parents or agent should register the birth with the entry and exit administration department of the public security bureau within 60 days of the birth by presenting the baby's birth certificate and his or her parents' passports.

3. For a foreigner who has passed away in China, his or her family, guardian or agent should submit his or her death certificate, passport or other international travel documents to the entry and exit administration department of the public security bureau to register the death and cancel the deceased's visa or stay or residence permit.

4. Foreigners cannot drive motor vehicles in China until they have obtained a driving license according to the Regulations on Administration of Driving License of the People's Republic of China.

#### (III) Other Instructions

1. Foreigners aged 16 or above who are staying or residing in China are expected to carry their passports with them at all times for inspection.

2. Violation of the above provisions may result in warning, fine, detention, deportation, or other enforcement measures. If the violation constitutes a criminal offense, the offender will be prosecuted according to the law for his or her criminal liabilities.

3. If your passport or other credentials has been lost or stolen, report it to the local police station and then register the loss with the entry and exit administration

department of the public security bureau by submitting the "police reporting slip" issued by the local police station.

4. In case of emergency, call 110.

5. Address of authorities issuing visa for foreigners

(1) Exit & Entry Administration Department of Guangzhou Municipal Public Security Bureau: 155 Jiefang Nanlu Guangzhou;

(2) Exit & Entry Administration Hall of Nansha Public Security Bureau: Nansha Government Affairs Center, Building E, No. 1, Fenghuang Dadao, Nansha District, Guangzhou;

(3) Exit & Entry Administration Hall of Huadu Public Security Bureau: 185 Jianshe Beilu, Xinhua Street, Huadu District, Guangzhou;

(4) Exit & Entry Administration Hall of Huangpu District Public Security Bureau: 2/F, Xiangxue Sanlu, Huangpu District, Guangzhou.





## V. Schooling

Current education system of China: nine years of compulsory education, three years of high school education, two to three years of junior college programs, four to five years of bachelor's programs, two to three years of master's programs, and three to four years of doctoral programs. Each academic year consists of two semesters, each of which takes 21 weeks. The first semester starts from September 1 to mid-January of the next year, and the second semester starts from mid-February to the early July. Each school year has about 10 weeks of summer and winter breaks. Foreign citizens aged 18 or above and healthy, who have the educational background equivalent to Chinese high school or above, as well as an ordinary passport, may apply for studying at institutions of higher education that have the qualification of admitting international students. A foreign national who wishes to attend a primary or secondary school in Guangzhou should apply for an educational residence permit according to the Interim Administrative Provisions on Primary and Secondary Schools Admitting Foreign Students. A foreign national who wishes to study in a college/university in Guangzhou should apply for an educational residence permit according to the Administrative Provisions on Higher-education Institutions Admitting International Students. An applicant who has entered China with an ordinary passport and an X visa may apply for a residence permit with the Entry and Exit Administration Office of the Guangzhou Municipal Public Security Bureau by presenting the letter of offer that he or she has received from a higher-education institution and other required

documents. (For details, see the entry-exit service guide of the Guangzhou Golden Shield Net at [www.gzjd.gov.cn](http://www.gzjd.gov.cn))

School-age children of foreigners residing in Guangzhou can apply for "admission by credit" at their places of residence on the strength of the Guangdong Residence Permit and other documents, if applying for being admitted to the initial grade of compulsory education; apply for school transfer in accordance with the Implementing Rules of the Department of Education of Guangdong Province for the Administration of School Rolls of Primary and Secondary School Students (for Trial Implementation), if applying for getting admitted to Grade Two or higher grade of compulsory education; take part in the high school entrance exam in Guangzhou based on their own conditions or apply for school transfer to education bureaus at their places of residence on the strength of the relevant enrolment certification, if applying for attending high school education.

For how to apply for residence permit and its benefits, please contact:  
Guangzhou Municipal Personnel Bureau  
Address: 1 Fuzhi Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 83126010

### List of Schools Dedicated to Foreign Children in Guangzhou

The British School of Guangzhou  
Address: 983 Tonghe Tongde Road, Baiyun District, Guangzhou  
Postcode: 510515  
Tel.: (8620) 34305886  
Fax: (8620) 34305887  
Website: <http://www.bsg.org.cn>

American International School of Guangzhou, Braha Campus (K-Gr. 5)  
Address: 3 Yanyu Street South, Erha Island, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou  
Postcode: 510515  
Tel.: (8620) 87353392  
Fax: (8620) 87353339  
Website: <http://www.aiaasz.org>

American International School of Guangzhou, SP Campus (Gr. 6-12)

Address: 19 Kexiang Road, Luogang District, Guangzhou

Postcode: 510663

Tel.: (8620) 32135555

Fax: (8620) 32086477

Website: <http://www.aisgz.org>

Japanese School of Guangzhou

Address: 10 Fengxin Road, Guangzhou Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone

Postcode: 510663

Tel.: (8620) 61397023, 61397025

Fax: (8620) 61397027

Website: <http://www.jsjgcn.com>

OISCA Guangzhou Japanese Kindergarten

Address: 4 Nanlang Section, Chentian Village, Huangshi Street, Baiyun District, Guangzhou

Postcode: 510420

Tel.: (8620) 86095216

Fax: (8620) 86319359

Website: <http://www.oisia-youchien.net>

Guangzhou Grace Academy

Address: Workshops A&B, Wanxingwei, Jushu Village, Dashi Town, Panyu District, Guangzhou

Postcode: 511431

Tel.: (8620) 84500180

Fax: (8620) 84500190

Website: <http://www.ggagga.net>

Guangzhou Nanhu International School

Address.: 55 Huayang Street, East Tiyu Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou

Postcode: 510620

Tel.: (8620) 38866952, 38865920

Fax: (8620) 38863680

Website: <http://www.gnichina.com>

Utahloy International School Guangzhou

Address: Right side of the 6 km marker of Shatai Highway, Jinbaogang,

Tonghe, Guangzhou

Postcode: 510515

Tel.: (8620) 87200517, 87202019

Fax: (8620) 87044296

Website: <http://www.utahloy.com>

Utahloy International School Zengcheng

Address: Dapuwei, Sanjiang, Shitan Town, Zengcheng, Guangzhou

Postcode: 511325

Tel.: (8620) 82913201

Website: <http://www.utahloy.com>

Guangzhou Korea School

Address: Jinxiu Xiangjiang Estate, Nancun Town, Panyu District, Guangzhou

Postcode: 511442

Tel.: (8620) 28680959

Website: <http://www.gks.or.kr>



## VI. Employment

### (I) Work Permit

To work in China, foreigners should obtain a work permit and a work-related residence permit. The Rules for the Administration of Employment of Foreigners in China applies to all foreign nationals taking up employment in Guangzhou. To offer employment to a foreign national in Guangzhou, the employer (except a Guangzhou-based provincial or central government agency) should apply for a Foreigner Employment License from the Municipal Human Resources and Social Security Bureau after being approved by the Municipal Public Security Bureau, and a foreign national who has been approved to take up employment in China, should apply for a service visa (Z Visa) with the Chinese embassy or consulate in his or her home country by presenting the permit issued by the Human Resources and Social Security Bureau, the job offer from his or her employer, and his or her valid passport or equivalent paper. Within 15 days of his or her arrival in China, the employee should apply for a Foreigner Work Permit. A foreign national who has obtained a work permit should apply for a residence permit from the Entry and Exit Administration Office of the Municipal Public Security Bureau within 30 days of his or her arrival in China.

In any of the following circumstances, a foreigner is considered to be working illegally in China: 1. Working in China without a work permit and a work-related residence permit; 2. Working in China outside the scope specified in his or her work



permit; 3. The foreigner is a student in China and is engaged in a part-time job in China outside the scope specified or for more hours than allowed, thereby violating the regulations on students taking up part-time work. Private citizens and sole proprietorships in China are prohibited from employing foreigners.

### (II) Work Permit Exemption

Foreigners meeting one of the following conditions are not required to apply for an employment license or work permit:

1. Foreign technical and managerial personnel directly recruited and paid by the Chinese Government or those who are recruited and paid by national authorities and institutions, possess advanced technical qualifications or special skill certificates issued by a national or international authoritative technology administration agency or industry association, and hold a Foreign Expert Certificate issued by the State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs.

2. Laborers of foreign nationality who hold a Permit for Foreign Nationals to Engage in Offshore Oil Operations in the People's Republic of China, those engaging in offshore oil operations do not need to come ashore but must possess special skills;

3. Foreign nationals who hold a Temporary Commercial Performance Permit issued by the Ministry of Culture and who are engaged in commercial cultural performances.

A foreigner meeting one of the following conditions is not required to apply for a Foreigner Work Permit and will be issued a Foreigner Work Permit after entry upon the presentation of his or her Z visa (work visa) and related certificates:



1.The foreigner has been recruited for a cooperation or exchange program under an agreement or protocol signed by the Chinese Government with a foreign government or an international organization;

2. The foreigner is the chief representative or a representative of the resident office of a foreign company in China.

Guangzhou Labor Employment Service Administration Center

Address: 1/F, Labor Employment Building, 148 South Donghua Road, Yuexin District, Guangzhou

Website: <http://gzjy.gzlm.net>, <http://www.gzlss.gov.cn>

(Work process, service guide, forms for downloading, and policies and regulations)

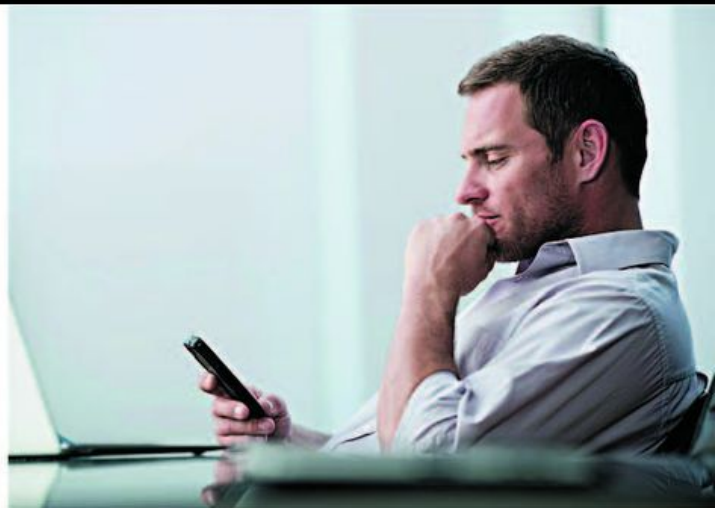
### (III) Hiring Local Domestic Helpers

1.Consulates and consular officers may hire Chinese service personnel (including translators, tutors, secretaries, nannies, chefs, chauffeurs, cleaners, gardeners, etc.) through the local foreign organization service institution. To hire such personnel, consulates and consular officers should sign a labor service contract with the said institution, and the contract should, at a minimum, provide for work hours, scope of duties, payment, medical care, dismissal and vacation. Any dispute arising during the provision of services should be resolved in accordance with the contract.

2.Chinese nationals hired by consulates as office staff members should not act on behalf of the consulate under the titles given by the consulate (such titles include senior administrative assistant, cultural assistant, and commercial assistant).

3.Foreign nationals, other than consular officers, can only hire domestic helpers or personal service personnel via foreign-related intermediary labor service agencies established according to law like Guangzhou Friendship Service Corporation.

4.To hire a Chinese citizen, a permanent representative office of a foreign enterprise should sign a labor dispatch agreement with a qualified labor dispatch organization according to the Labor Contract Law and the Administrative Provisions on Labor Dispatch, and this labor dispatch organization will sign a labor service contract with the Chinese citizen and complete formalities for him or her regarding employment filing, social insurance registration, and contribution to social insurance. Guangzhou Foreign Enterprise Labor Service Department can act as an agent for the permanent representative offices of foreign enterprises in hiring Chinese citizens.



Guangzhou Foreign Enterprise Labor Service Department  
Address: 11/F, Labor Employment Building, 148 South Donghua Road,  
Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 83822011  
Website: <http://gzjy.gzlm.net>

## VII. Marriage & Adoption

The Foreign-Related Marriage Registration Office of the Guangzhou Civil Affairs Bureau registers marriages and divorces involving any party with permanent residency in Guangzhou. All marriages and divorces must be voluntary. To get married, a man should at least be 22 years old while a woman should at least be 20 years old; the man and woman should have no other current spouse (which means that both should be single, divorced, or widowed at the time they are applying to register their marriage) and should not be lineal relatives by blood or collateral relatives by blood up to the third degree of kinship. A man or woman of foreign nationality may register their marriage in Guangzhou. To do so, they should present certificates and documents as required by the Regulations on Marriage Registration, as well as a certificate proving that their home country recognizes foreign marriage registrations.



After reviewing certificates and statements provided by the parties concerned, the marriage registration authority will immediately register the marriage or divorce and issue marriage or divorce certificates if all conditions have been found to be satisfied.

### (1) Marriage Registration

1. Objects: one of the couple is a Guangzhou resident and the other is a foreigner; or both of them are foreigners working or living in Guangzhou.

2. Conditions Precedent: Both of the couple must be married by mutual consent; the male must be 22 years old or above, and the female must be 20 years old or above; both of them have a spouse (unmarried, divorced, widowed); the couple are not lineal relatives by blood or collateral relatives by blood up to the third degree of kinship.

3. Documents:

#### (1) For local residents:

Permanent household registration book and ID card (valid temporary ID card); a signed statement indicating that the couple are not lineal relatives by blood or collateral relatives by blood up to the third degree of kinship (the statement is issued by the marriage registration office).

The marital status of the parties concerned in the permanent household registration book should be in consistence with that in the statement. In case of inconsistency, the parties concerned should offer the registration office the documents including effect-taking judicial documents and medical certificate of death of spouse resident to prove the authenticity of its statement; in case of inconsistency and failure to offer relevant documents, the parties concerned should go to the departments concerned for correction first.

In the case that the marital status stated by the parties concerned is inconsistent with that recorded in marriage registration file, the parties concerned should offer the registration office the documents including effect-taking judicial documents and medical certificate of death of spouse resident to prove the authenticity of its statement.

#### (2) For foreign nationals:

Valid passport or other valid international travel documents; a certificate indicating that the person has currently no spouse issued by the notary organization or competent authority of his or her country and accredited by the

embassy/consulate of the PRC in his or her country or the embassy/consulate of his or her country in the PRC; or a notarized certificate indicating that the person currently has no spouse proved by the embassy/consulate of his or her country in China. The statement or certificate indicating that the person currently has no spouse is valid for six months after the date of issuance.

Relevant proofs issued by the country having no diplomatic relations with China should be accredited by the embassy/consulate of the third country that has diplomatic relations with both his or her country and China in his or her country as well as the embassy/consulate of the PRC in the third country, or the embassy/consulate of the third country in China.

If the couple, both of whom are foreigners, requests to register for marriage in Guangzhou, the parties concerned should also issue the certificate to prove that the countries of the parties concerned recognize the legal effect of their residents'



marriage registration abroad in addition to the mentioned certificates and documents.

(3) Photo: Three 2-inch recent color group photos of the couple (full face without hat).

#### (II) Divorce Registration

1. Objects: one of the couple is a Guangzhou resident and the other is a foreigner.

2. Conditions Precedent: Both of the couple must divorce by mutual consent and have full capacity for civil conduct; both parties must hold Divorce Agreement indicating that both parties agree to divorce of their free will and agree on the arrangements for the rearing of children and disposition of assets and debts; both parties hold the marriage certificate issued by the Chinese marriage registration authority or a Chinese embassy/consulate abroad.

3. Documents:

(1) Both parties' valid Chinese ID card or permanent household registration book.

(2) Valid passport or other valid international travel documents.

(3) Both parties' marriage certificate; one of both parties, who lose his or her marriage certificate, should make a statement about the loss of marriage certificate in writing and the marriage registration authority can handle the divorce registration according to the other marriage certificate; both parties, who lose their marriage certificate, should make a statement about the loss of marriage certificate in writing and provide stamped photocopies of marriage registration file, and the marriage registration authority can handle the divorce registration according to the above documents offered by both parties.

(4) Divorce Agreement (the original in triplicates and signing in front of the marriage registrar).

(5) Two large two-inch recent color photos (full face without hat) of each party.

### (III) Replacement of Marriage Certificate

1. Objects: one of the couple is a Guangzhou resident and the other is a foreigner; or the parties concerned have registered for marriage in the area under the jurisdiction of Guangzhou.

2. Conditions Precedent: The parties concerned have registered for marriage or divorced according to the law and still maintain such marriage status till now; the parties concerned who lost or damaged their marriage certificate.



### 3. Documents:

- (1) Both parties' valid Chinese ID card or permanent household registration book.
- (2) Valid passport or other valid international travel documents.
- (3) Marriage registration file; if the parties concerned lost their marriage registration file, they should issue sufficient evidence to prove the marriage relationship.

If the parties concerned cannot go to the marriage registry to apply for the replacement of marriage certificate, but the information in their well-documented archive is consistent with their identity information, they can entrust another person to complete it. In case of entrustment, the permanent household registration book and ID card of the parties concerned and the letter of authorization notarized by the notary organ should be issued. The letter should list the name, ID card number and time of marriage registration of the parties concerned as well as undertaking organization, current marriage status, reason of entrustment, and the name and ID card number of the trustee. The trustee should also issue his or her own ID card. The letter of authorization issued or notarized by foreign notary organ should be authenticated by the embassy/consulate of China in this country.

(4) Photo: Three 2-inch recent color group photos of both parties showing full face without hat (for the use of replacement of marriage certificate);

two 2-inch recent color photos of each party showing full face without hat (for the use of replacement of divorce certificate).



#### **(IV) Office Information**

**Undertaking Organization:** Guangzhou Civil Affairs Bureau

**Office Time:** Monday through Friday

Morning: 8:30~12:00

Afternoon: 2:00~5:30

**Address:** 2/F, 99 Xihu Road, Guangzhou

**Tel.:** (8620) 83178772, (8620) 83342349

**Traffic guide:** At the junction of Xihu Road and Qiyi Road. Qiyi Road Station for public bus, and about 150 meters ahead of Exit J of Gongyuanqian Station for metro.

**Website:** <http://wsbs.gzgmz.gov.cn>

#### **(V) Adoption**

##### **(1) Registration authority**

The Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province, under the entrustment of Department of Civil Affairs of Guangdong Province, is specifically responsible for the registration of inter-country adoption;

Office address: 8/F, Fuhua Business and Trade Mansion, 233 Dade Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou

Post code: 510120.

##### **(2) Registration procedures for foreigners to apply for adoption in Guangdong**

Making an appointment for registration. After receiving a Notice of Adopting Children in China issued by the China Center for Children's Welfare and Adoption, a foreign adopter should make an appointment about the date of handling adoption registration with the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province ten days before coming to Guangdong for handling the same.

Tel. (fax) for appointment: 020-83318577,

E-mail: [gd-syzz@hotmail.com](mailto:gd-syzz@hotmail.com).

The Appointment Form for Adoption Registration in Guangdong can be downloaded at the official website of Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province (<http://www.gdmz.gov.cn/syzz>).

Handover of a child. The adopter meets the adoptee and completes handover formalities at the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province (handover is prohibited in hotels).

Donation. Where a foreign adopter makes donations to a welfare agency, the agency will issue a certificate of donation and special invoice to the adopter.

Conclusion of an integration agreement. The foreign adopter and the adoptee conclude the Agreement on Entrusted Custody in the Integration Period, which specifies an integration period of 48 hours. In case of any abnormal condition during such period, a report should be sent to the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province in a timely manner.

Handling of adoption registration. Upon expiration of the integration period, if neither the adopter nor the adoptee raises any objection, the adopter, adoption agency and adoptee must handle adoption registration in person with the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province. The certificates and materials (all materials are clearly and orderly reproduced in A4 paper and rendered by handwriting with signature pens) of the adoptee are listed as below:

One original of the Notice of Adopting Children in China;

The original and one copy of the passport of the adopter;

The Application for Adoption Registration (attached with one photo (35 mm \* 45 mm) of the adopting husband and wife respectively) completed by the adopter;

One original of the Adoption Agreement, the Agreement on Entrusted Custody in the Integration Period and the Donation Agreement on Inter-country Adoption signed by the adopter and the adoption agency;

For joint adoption of a child, if either the husband or the wife is absent at the site of adoption, one original of the power of attorney on adoption notarized by the public notary office at the country of adopters and authenticated by the Chinese consulate or embassy in the said country shall be presented.

Where the aforesaid certificates and materials are complete and valid and the adopter complies with the Adoption Law of the People's Republic of China and the Measures for the Registration of Adoption of Children by Foreigners in the People's Republic of China, the registrar will handle adoption registration for the adopter and send registration matters to the Department of Civil Affairs of Guangdong Province for examination and approval. The Certificate of Adoption Registration will be delivered to the adopter within 5 workdays upon approval, and the adoptive relationship is established as from the date of registration.

Handling of adoption notarization. The adopter and the adoptee should handle adoptive relationship notarization with the notary office authorized by the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province after completion of adoption registration, and provide the following certificates and materials:

- One copy of the Certificate of Adoption Registration;
- One copy of the Notice of Adopting Children in China;
- The original and one copy of the passport of the adopter;

Where either the husband or the wife is absent at the site, one copy of the power of attorney on adoption is required;

- One copy of the Notice of Inter-country Adoption;
- One copy of materials of the adoptee;
- Tel. of the South China Notary Public Office: (020) 83636372  
83635895 (fax);
- Tel. of the Guangzhou Notary Public Office: (020) 83569571  
83350742 (fax).

Application for a child's passport. The foreign adopter will be accompanied by an officer of the Adoption Registry Center of Guangdong Province in applying for the child's passport to the Division of Exit & Entry Administration Department of Public Security of Guangdong Province, and then collect the passport within 5 workdays as prescribed by the Guangdong Provincial Public Security Department. The adopter should provide the following certificates and materials:

The original and one copy of the adopter's passport (with the Chinese name of

the adoptee indicated);

- The original and one copy of the Certificate of Adoption Registration;
- Application for an Ordinary Passport of a Chinese Citizen;
- Proof of the consent to the application for exit & entry certificates;
- One copy of the adoptee's household register;
- The receipt of a digital photo taken for exit & entry certificate of Guangdong.

#### (3) Charging standards

Adoption registration fee: RMB 250, approved by the State Price Control Bureau and the Ministry of Finance by the Approval Document [1992] Jia Fei Zi No.349; (if the adopter requests to change the Certificate of Adoption Registration, additional RMB 250 should be paid as if the certificate was handled for the first time);

Service fee for adoption registration: RMB1,800, approved by the Guangdong Price Bureau by the Approval Document Yue Jia Han [2012] No.585;

3. Agency fee for applying for the adoptee's passport: RMB 200.

#### (4) Supervision measures

During adoption registration, an adopter can lodge a complaint with the Social Welfare and Charity Office under the Department of Civil Affairs of Guangdong Province if finding any officer is involved in malpractices for selfish ends or bribes solicitation or acceptance in violation of the relevant laws and regulations of the State.

Hotline for complaints and supervision: (020) 83318931, 83176892.



## VIII. Religious Activities & Venues

### (I) Regulations on Religious Activities in China

A foreign national entering China may bring a reasonable amount of printed religious materials, religious audiovisual products and other religious articles for personal use. For excess materials, the carrier should complete related formalities with China Customs according to the relevant regulations. Printed religious materials and audiovisual products detrimental to China's public interests are barred from entering China.

A foreign national may take part in religious activities at a temple, monastery, mosque, church or other religious venues in China. At the invitation of a Chinese religious group at or above the level of province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the State Council, a foreign national may preach at a religious venue in China.

At the invitation of a Chinese religious group at or above the level of province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the State Council, a foreign national who has come to China in his or her religious capacity may preach at a duly-registered religious venue in China.

At the invitation of a Chinese religious group at or above the level of province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the State Council, subject to the approval of a government religious affairs department at or above the level of province, foreign religious personnel who have come to China in other capacities may preach at a duly-registered religious venue in China.

Foreign religious personnel preaching at a duly-registered religious venue in China should abide by the venue's rules and regulations and respect the staff's faith and habits.

With the approval of a Chinese religious body, foreign nationals in China may invite Chinese religious personnel to conduct such religious ceremonies as baptism, wedding or funeral services, or Taoist or Buddhist rites. For wedding services, the foreigners must be duly-registered husband and wife.

A foreigner group may conduct religious activities at a duly-registered temple, monastery, mosque or church accredited by a government religious affairs department at or above the county level, or at a venue designated by a government religious affairs department at or above the level of province, autonomous region or

municipality directly under the State Council.

The enrollment to study abroad or funds provided to China by foreign organizations or individuals for the purpose of training religious personnel may be accepted by Chinese national religious bodies on the basis of need, and the personnel for overseas training shall be selected and dispatched by Chinese national religious bodies as a whole plan.

Foreign organizations or individuals may not recruit students in China for study and training abroad as religious personnel without permission.

Foreigners who intend to come to China to study at Chinese religious institutions shall abide by the Provisions on the Administration of Chinese Institutions of Higher-Learning Accepting Foreign Students, obtain approval from Chinese national religious bodies, and file with the State Administration for Religious Affairs.

Foreigners who intend to come to China to teach at Chinese religious institutions shall abide by the Provisions on Recruitment of Foreign Professionals by Religious Institutions.

Foreigners who conduct religious activities in China shall abide by all Chinese laws and regulations. They shall not interfere in the establishment and change of China's religious communities and religious venues. Nor shall they interfere in the appointment, selection and change of clerical personnel by China's religious communities, or interfere in and dominate any other missionary activities.

Foreigners shall not establish any religious organization, set up any religious office or religious venue, found any religious institution, or run religious workshop. Nor shall they recruit adherents from among Chinese citizens, appoint Chinese citizens as religious personnel, or conduct any other missionary activities. They shall not preach or hold religious gatherings outside the religious venues that have been registered and approved according to the law, hold religious activities with Chinese citizens to participate in in the temporary religious places (with the exception of religious personnel invited to host the activity), produce or sell religious articles such as religious books, religious audiovisual products and religious electronic publications, or distribute religious propaganda materials.

## (II) Religious Venues Open to the Public

Guangzhou has a long history of religion. All of the world's five major religions - Buddhism, Taoism, Islam, Catholicism and Christianity - are practiced here. Buddhism, Taoism and Islam spread to Guangzhou more than a thousand years ago, while Catholicism and Christianity were brought to Guangzhou two or three centuries ago. Religious beliefs, traditions, and customs run deep in Guangzhou. Along the central axis of Guangzhou's old town stand 10 magnificent temples, monasteries and churches, forming a unique cultural scene. Of the 84 religious venues in Guangzhou which are open to the public, six are national-level protected heritage sites, two are provincial-level, and 10 are city-level. These sites are the cream of Guangzhou's religious heritage as a famed historical city.

### Religious place

Christian	Address	Tel.
Dongshan Hall	9 Sibeitongjin, Yuexiu District	87776305 87305377
Xi'an Hall	392 Central Renmin Road, Yuexiu District	81889054
Church of Our Savior	184 Wanfu Road, Yuexiu District	83335778
Guangxiao Hall	29 Guangxiao Road, Yuexiu District	81087837
Henan Hall	23 Hongde Lane V, Hongde Road, Haizhu District	84422935

Taoist	Address	Tel.
Sacred Heart Cathedral	56 Jiubaqian, Yide Road, Yuexiu District	83304180
Our Lady of Lourdes Church	14 Shamian Street, Liwan District	81217858

Buddhism	Address	Tel.
Liurong Temple	87 Liurong Road, Yuexiu District	83392843 83357754
Guangxiao Temple	109 Guangxiao Road, Yuexiu District	81089169
Great Buddha Temple	21 Central Huixin Street, East HuiFu Road, Yuexiu District	83393455
Hualin Temple	31 Hualin Temple Front, Xiajiu Road, Liwan District	81387849
Sea Monastery	188 Central Nanhua Road, Haizhu District	84399172

Taoist	Address	Tel.
Sanyuan Palace	11 Yingyuan Road, Yuexiu District	83544550
Chunyang Monastery	268 Ruikang Road, Haizhu District	84189071
Wong Tai Sin Temple	1 Huangdaxian Avenue, Baifua Road, Liwan District	81561855
Renwei Ancestral Hall	22 Front Renwei Ancestral Hall Street, Pantang Road, Liwan District	81705462
Duchenghuang Temple	48 Zhongyou Avenue, Zhongshan Road IV, Yuexiu District	83378036

Islamic	Address	Tel.
Huasheng Lighthouse Mosque	56 Guangta Road, Yuexiu District	83333593
Haopan Mosque	378 Haopan Street, Yuexiu District	81091123
Mausoleum of Moslem Masters	901 North Jiefang Road, Yuexiu District	86692743

venues normally closed to tourists





## IX. Medical Services

### (1) Diagnosis

Guangzhou has an effective and efficient medical and healthcare network and general and specialized hospitals can be found in all of the city's administrative districts. Foreigners in Guangzhou may go to the hospitals by themselves. If they are unable to make the trip to the hospital, they can dial emergency assistance number 120 or the number of their designated hospital for an ambulance. The ambulance will bring the patient to the nearest hospital for a fee. The fee ranges from RMB one hundred to several hundred, depending on the distance transported and the medicines used.

Hospitals in Guangzhou provide various appointment services (e.g. through official websites, WeChat public accounts and "12320" hotline.). Patients can also proceed to the outpatient department under the following procedure: Registration for corresponding department → Waiting → Consultation with the doctor → Payment and tests (price appointments required for some tests) → Prescription by doctors or based on the results of examinations and tests → Payment → Collecting medicines.

## Government-run Grade III General Hospitals (As of 31 December, 2015)

1. The First Affiliated Hospital, Sun Yat-sen University  
Address: 58 Zhongshan Erda, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 87755766
2. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hospital, Sun Yat-Sen University; Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hospital, Sun Yat-Sen University (south hospital area)  
Address: 107 Yanjiang Xilu, Guangzhou; 33 Yingfeng Road, Haizhu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 81332199
3. The Third Affiliated Hospital, Sun Yat-sen University  
Address: 600 Tianhe Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 85253333
4. The Sixth Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University  
Address: 26 Erheng Road, Yuancun Village, Tianhe District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 38254000
5. Zhongshan Ophthalmic Center, Sun Yat-sen University  
Address: 54 Xianlie Nanlu, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 87330000
6. Guanghua School of Stomatology, Hospital of Stomatology, Sun Yat-sen University  
Address: 56 Lingyuan Xilu, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 83863002
7. Sun Yat-Sen University Cancer Center  
Address: 651 East Dongfeng Road, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 87343058



8. The First Affiliated Hospital of Jinan University  
Address: 613 West Huangpu Avenue, Tianhe District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 38688888
9. The First Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou University of Traditional Chinese Medicine  
Address: 16 Jichang Road, Sanyuanli, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 36591912
10. The Affiliated Orthopedics Hospital, Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine  
Address: 22 Qingzhu Street, West Jiangnan Road, Haizhu District  
Tel.: (8620) 84433651
11. Clifford Hospital, Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine  
Address: Within Qifu New Village, 8 Shiguang Road, Panyu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 84518222
12. Guangdong General Hospital  
Address: 106 Zhongshan Road II, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 83827812
13. Guangdong No. 2 Provincial People's Hospital  
Address: 466 Central Xingang Road, Haizhu District  
Tel.: (8620) 89168114
14. Guangdong Provincial TCM Hospital, Ershadao Branch of Guangdong Provincial TCM Hospital, University Town Hospital of Guangdong Provincial TCM Hospital  
Address: 111 Dade Road, Guangzhou, 261 Datong Road, Guangzhou, West Inner Ring Road, University Town, Panyu District  
Tel.: (8620) 81887233, (8620) 87351238, (8620) 39318100
15. Guangdong Provincial No. 2 TCM Hospital  
Address: 60 Hengfu Road, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 83581890
16. Guangdong Provincial Stomatological Hospital, Panyu Branch of Guangdong Provincial Stomatological Hospital  
Address: 366 South Jiangnan Avenue, Haizhu District, Guangzhou, 12 Xinyi Road, Shiqiao, Panyu District  
Tel.: (8620) 84427034, (8620) 84414802
17. The First Affiliated Hospital of Guangdong Pharmaceutical University  
Address: 19 Nonglinxia Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 61325537
18. Guangdong Provincial Dermatology Hospital  
Address: 2 Lujing Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 87257353
19. Nanfang Hospital of Southern Medical University  
Address: 1838 Guangzhou Dadao Bei, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 61641888
20. Zhujiang Hospital of Southern Medical University  
Address: 253 Gongye Dadao Middle, Haizhu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 61643114
21. The Third Affiliated Hospital of Southern Medical University  
Address: 183 Zhongshan Dadao West, Tianhe District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 38253613
22. TCM-Integrated Hospital of Southern Medical University  
Address: 13 Shiliugang Road, Haizhu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 61650000

23. Guangzhou First People's Hospital, Nansha Hospital of Guangzhou First People's Hospital

Address: 1 Panfu Road, Guangzhou, 105 Fengze Donglu, Nansha District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 81048888, (8620) 84943770

24. Guangzhou Hospital of TCM

Address: 16 Zhuji Road, Liwan District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 81226288

25. Guangzhou Red Cross Hospital

Address: 396 Tongfu Zhonglu, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 84412233

26. Guangzhou Women and Children's Medical Center, Guangzhou Maternal and Child Health Hospital, Guangzhou Children's Hospital

Address: 318 and 402, Renmin Zhonglu, or 9 Jinsui Road, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 81886332, (8620) 81886910, (8620) 81330713, (8620) 81886910

27. Guangzhou Eighth People's Hospital

Address: 627 Dongfeng Donglu, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 83838688

28. Guangzhou Chest Hospital

Address: 62 Hengzhigang Road, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 83595977

29. Guangzhou Huiai Hospital

Address: 36 Mingxin Road, Liwan District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 81580392

30. Guangzhou Twelfth People's Hospital

Address: 1 Tianqiang Road, Huangpu Dadao West, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 38981288

31. The First Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou Medical University, Haiyin Branch of The First Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou Medical University

Address: 151 Yanjiang Road, Guangzhou, 1 Kangda Road, Haizhu District

Tel.: (8620) 83062114, (8620) 34294311

32. The Second Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou Medical University

Address: 250 Changgang Donglu, Haizhu District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 34152299

33. The Third Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou Medical University

Address: 63 Duobao Road, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 81292332

34. The Fourth Affiliated Hospital of GZMU

Address: 63 Yayun Nanlu, Shilou Town, Panyu District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 31160218

35. The Fifth Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou Medical University

Address: 621 Gangwan Road, Huangpu District, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 82286666

36. Cancer Center of Guangzhou Medical University

Address: 78 Hengzhigang, Luhu Road, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 66673666

37. Stomatology/Affiliated Stomatology Hospital

Address: 31, 39 and 59 Huangsha Avenue, Guangzhou

Tel.: (8620) 61359417

38. The Third Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University - Lingnan Hospital  
Address: 2693 Kaichuang Avenue, Luogang District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 82179000

39. Guangzhou Panyu Central Hospital  
Address: 8 East Fuyu Road, Qisonan Street, Panyu District; The First Room, 10  
Second Xixiang Road, Luopu Street; 80 Haibang Road, Shiqiao Street, Panyu  
District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 34858888

40. Panyu Hospital of Chinese Medicine  
Address: 65 and 93 Qiaodong Road, Shiqiao Street, Panyu District  
Tel.: (8620) 66679242

41. Boji-Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University (Zengcheng District  
People's Hospital of Guangzhou  
Address: 1 East Guangming Road, Zengjiang Street, Zengcheng District  
Tel.: (8620) 62287449

42. Huadu District, Guangzhou City People's Hospital  
Address: 48 Xinhua Road, Xinhua Town, Huadu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 86832256

43. Guangzhou Hospital of Integrated Chinese and Western Medicine  
Address: 67 Xindu Avenue, Xinhua Town, Huadu District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 86888120

44. Mental Hospital of Bureau of Civil of Guangzhou Municipality  
Address: 143 Dongxin Road, Shijing Street, Baiyun District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 86441288



45. Guangzhou Charitable Hospital (Fangcun Branch of Guangdong  
Provincial TCM Hospital)  
Address: 36 Yongan Street, Huadi, Fangcun District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 81499194

46. Fuda Cancer Hospital, Guangzhou Fuda Medical Co., Ltd.  
Address: The Second Room, 2 West Tangde Road, Tianhe District,  
Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 85669999

47. Jinhuzhou Hospital of Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine  
Address: 1 East Lichuan Street, Baiyun District, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 81330999

48. Guangdong 999 Brain Hospital  
Address: 578 Shutai Nansu, Guangzhou  
Tel.: (8620) 62323939