

LYMPHEDEMA TREATMENT IN ISRAEL

Israel has a National Health Law that entitles all citizens to comprehensive health care in clinics, hospitals, physicians' offices and laboratories. Lymphedema patients with a referral from a family doctor or treating physician can receive a specified number of treatments by a licensed physical therapist certified to treat lymphedema in Israel; presently there are more than 100 such therapists. The Israeli Lymphedema Association (www.ial.org.il) maintains a list of all lymphedema therapists. Currently, the website is only in Hebrew but plans are in process to include important information also in English. Basic bandaging materials for lymphedema treatment are provided by the health funds without additional cost. The health funds also subsidize the cost of compression garments. Following is a table of suppliers of these garments in Israel and the companies they represent.

Name of Importer	Importer of	Contact Person	Email
Orta Medical Ltd.	Lohmann & Rauscher; Activa	Rotem Brandt	Rotemb@orta-medical.com
Dyn Diagnostics	Medi	Arel Snir Shiraz Shany	Snir.e@dyn.co.il Shany.s@dyn.co.il
Gudovitch Orthopedic Solutions Ltd.	L&R (formerly Solaris); Cizeta Medical (Varisan)	Gabi Bar	Gudovitchbar@gmail.com
	EasyWrap England; Cizeta; Varisan; Elna Care; Star Cotton; Venex; Doktus; Veni; Eto Bra; Pertex; Goldpunkt	Liat Meytal	Liatg@gmail.com 124mey@gmail.com
Ami Medical Technologies	Jobst; FarrowWrap; BSN Medical; BMS Medical; Sigvaris	Sharon Brigal Mariano Meymods	Sharonb@ami.co.il Mariano@ami.co.il
A. Yuval	Anita; Annette	Avi Ben Shitreet	Avibbe@gmail.com
Thuasne Servitex Ltd.	Mobi Derm; Lymphatrex; Cicatrex	Rinat Bruskin Avi Bruskin	Rinat@thuasne.co.il Avi@thuasne.co.il
Mego Afek	LymphaPress (Israeli product)	Kfir Weinstein	Telephone: 052-4295537
Haim Alon	Juzo	Sigal	Telephone: 03-5756866

The Israeli Lymphedema Association is also in constant contact and deliberations with government authorities to recognize lymphedema as a disabling condition, thereby enabling patients to receive additional benefits and assistance.