

Investors to Run Hospitals

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City Hall will allow private investors to run hospitals under concession agreements, the deputy mayor for social development told Ekho Moskvy radio, Vedomosti reported Thursday.

Explaining the rationale for the plan, Leonid Pechatnikov said authorities aimed to achieve a high quality of medical services without providing funds.

Operators will be chosen at tenders, he said, adding that City Hall had already received proposals from nine investors, including insurance companies.

In particular, the European Medical Center is seeking to manage Clinic No. 63 on Prospekt Mira under a concession deal and invest up to 150 million euros in the hospital, Pechatnikov said.

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