

HCCA International Delivers Health Care Professionals to United Arab Emirates

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HCCA International was appointed by SEHA-Ambulatory Healthcare Services to identify and provide healthcare professionals from the Philippines to help with the implementation of a new health care program for the Nationals of Abu Dhabi. Abu Dhabi is the largest Emirate in the United Arab Emirates.



“SEHA”, which means “Health” in Arabic, is the new independent public joint stock company, launched last year by the Health Authority of Abu Dhabi (HAAD) to manage all curative activities for the Emirate’s public hospitals and clinics, including 8 hospital systems, more than 55 primary clinics and 14,350 employees.

Ambulatory Healthcare Services is the newest division of SEHA. “Ambulatory Healthcare Services is charged with taking 21st Century outpatient services, including advances in technology and a suite of services which were formerly delivered only in hospitals, out into the community where the nationals of Abu Dhabi live and work”, said Dr. John Evangelista, Director of SEHA-AHS.

AHS will be responsible for screening Nationals for a new Health Insurance Scheme for Nationals, which will include among other services free Periodic Medical Examinations.

Just recently SEHA-AHS opened Khalifa City A, a new outpatient healthcare centre. The Center will offer a wide range of diagnostic services including radiology, dental care, and an in-house laboratory, as well as family medicine, maternal and child health and health education programs. This is one of three such centers opened in two months and many more will be built or remodeled over the next two years to assure the people of Abu Dhabi have one of the best health care systems in the world.

The first 25 of approximately 150 healthcare professionals, including registered nurses, radiology technicians, medical technicians, and dental specialists to work with SEHA AHS on these projects, departed through HCCA International on May 22, 2008 with the remaining professionals expected to land in Abu Dhabi over the next few months.

“It is great to be part of this project. It involves a country’s pioneering spirit to provide the best health care possible wherever their people work and live in the country. I suspect other countries will be turning to Abu Dhabi to translate this system into a working model for their own country”, said Joe Gilinsky, HCCA International’s Vice President and Managing Director for Asia Pacific & Middle East Regions.