

## **Medical News**

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### **Think Pink Drive**

Breast cancer awareness was the subject of the Rotary Club, Salmaniya's weekly meeting held at Bushido, Seef district on 31 March 2011. Guest speaker Think Pink Bahrain founder and Chairwoman Julie Sprakel talked about Think Pink Bahrain and its ongoing work for charity. Think Pink Bahrain holds various fundraising and awareness activities, including an annual gala dinner, golf tournaments, lectures and charity walks. It also has an educational program, which sponsors Bahraini healthcare professionals to take specialized certificates in breast cancer care and treatment. Funds are being raised for digital MRI to be installed in Salmaniya Medical Complex. It will be first MRI dedicated for breast cancer diagnosis; it was described as the best screening tool for the condition in young women.

### **Free Medical Checkup**

Crowne Plaza Bahrain Health Club in partnership with Bahrain Specialist Hospital hosted a free medical checkup held at the health club's premises on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2011. A good number of health club members as well as Crowne Plaza Bahrain employees benefited from this medical drive, which offered blood sugar and blood cholesterol tests, blood pressure checkup along with a basic health check such as height and weight measurement. The Bahrain Specialist Hospital distributed reading materials, which made it easier for the reader to have a better understanding of the different illnesses, their symptoms and how to prevent them.

### **Hospital to Evaluate Supplies**

Twenty tenders from 16 local dealers to provide medical equipment for King Hamad University Hospital (KHUH) have been considered yesterday according to the regulations of the 'Military Tender Board'.

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Minister of State for Defense Affairs Lieutenant General (Dr) Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, KHUH chairperson (Dr) Brigadier Shaikh Salman bin Ateyatalla Al Khalifa and members of the 'Military Tender Board' have attended the meeting. The hospital's technical team will conduct an evaluation of needed equipment in the next stage in order to determine suppliers to deal with according to the hospital's contract policy. Shaikh Mohammed said that selection of the local dealer and suitable tender would take place according to the criteria and the hospital's demands in terms of price and technology. The move is an effort to equip the hospital with high-tech medical equipment in preparation for trial operation next September, it was revealed.

## **REFERENCES**

1. GDN and MOH intranet webpage.