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6 LABS OF PANTAI PREMIER ACCREDITED MS ISO 15189

SIX laboratories of Pantai Premier Pathology Sdn Bhd received the MS ISO 15189 accreditation from the Department of STANDARDS MALAYSIA Director General, Puan Fadillah Baharin, at an award presentation at the JW Marriott Hotel in Putrajaya yesterday (August 27, 2009).

With the award, Pantai Premier's medical laboratory testing is now accredited in the fields of Cytopathology, Histopathology, Chemical Pathology, Haematology, Microbiology and Virology.

The presentation was witnessed by Director of Medical Development, Dato' Dr Azmi Shapie. Dr Azmi congratulated Pantai Premier for leading the way in setting a benchmark for the medical laboratory industry in Malaysia.



Award presentation on MS ISO 15189 by Puan Fadillah Baharin, Director General of STANDARDS MALAYSIA to one of the laboratories of Pantai Premier Pathology Sdn. Bhd, 27 August 2009

MS ISO 15189 was launched in December 2004 and is based on the International Standard ISO 15189 - Medical Laboratories (Particular Requirements for Quality & Competence).

The accreditation is governed by Skim Akreditasi Makmal Malaysia (SAMM), and managed by the Department of Standards Malaysia. With the accreditation, SAMM-endorsed test reports are now recognized internationally.

With the accreditation, medical testing laboratories receive formal recognition that they are able to demonstrate competency in performing specific tests measurement; has sound laboratory and proper equipment management; possess suitably-qualified and trained staff; has accurate and complete record keeping; has adequate quality control and quality assurance procedures; strict adherence to internal audit programme; and appropriate facilities for the handling, storage and testing of samples.



Group Photos between VIP and Award recipients – 27 August 2009

Pantai Premier Pathology provides medical laboratory testing and analytical services to the medical fraternity in Malaysia. The company operates 11 laboratories and is among the largest in the private sector. It is wholly-owned by Pantai Holdings Bhd.

Pantai Holdings Bhd

Pantai Holdings Bhd (Pantai) is Malaysia's pioneer in private healthcare provider, with nine hospitals across Peninsular Malaysia.

Pantai also provides healthcare support services, comprising comprehensive laboratory and radiology facilities, rehabilitation services and, a college of nursing & health sciences.

In addition, Pantai controls two major concessions, involving the screening of foreign workers, through its Pantai FOMEMA and Pantai Medivest. These two subsidiaries provide a range of support services, including clinical waste management. Its College of Nursing & Health Sciences trains more than 600 nurses on a three-year curriculum.

Collectively, the Pantai Group of Hospitals has a total of more than 1,200 beds, with over 100,000 admissions a year. The Group is anchored by a pool of clinical professionals, consisting of 500 doctors and more than 1,000 nurses.



Y.Bhg. Dato' Dr Azmi Shapie, Director of Medical Development, Ministry of Health and Puan Fadilah Baharin, Director General of STANDARDS MALAYSIA, during the Press Conference on MS ISO 15189 Accreditation Award Ceremony, 27 August 2009