

## Sheikh Faisal opens medical exhibition

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doha • Sheikh Faisal bin Qassim Al Thani, the Chairman of Aamal Company QSC, opened here yesterday the second medical equipment exhibition titled 'A Walk through Digital Hospital' with several advanced digital products on display.

More than 25 companies displayed products for diagnostic imaging, monitoring, telemedicine and electronic data collection at Sheraton Hotel. The event was organized by Aamal Medical, a branch of Aamal Company QSC, and is aimed at introducing the latest medical equipment and technology into the country.



Sheikh Faisal bin Qassim Al Thani and Abdulrazaq Saeed Al Kubaisi, Assistant Managing Director of Operations at Hamad Medical Corporation, cutting the ribbon to open the medical exhibition at Sheraton Hotel yesterday, as Dr Mohammed H Al Thani, Medical Adviser at National Health Authority, looks on. (Shaival Dalal)

The exhibition provides an excellent opportunity to get a glimpse of the latest technology related to digital hospitals and get acquainted with the efforts exerted by Aamal Medical to bring the latest technology in the medical sector into the Qatari market, Sheikh Faisal told reporters.

Top medical equipment manufacturers and suppliers of the latest technology for digital hospitals such as General Electric Medical Systems, Pyxis (Cardinal Health), Karl Storz, Orion Health, Cardinal Health, Information Solution, Lawson, Covidien, Perot System and Vita Phone had a strong presence at the exhibition.

GE, which is specialized in the IT solution for hospitals, showcased at its stand hospital information systems (HIS), Clinical Information Systems (CIS), Lab Information Systems (LIS) and a wide range of state of the art diagnostic imaging equipments covering MRI, CT, X-Ray, Vascular and Cathlab.

Cardinal Health's stand featured pharmacy automated dispensing systems which can control medication and medical supplies with all the equipments connected to the HIS system. The system helps in recording patients' digital electronic files and statistics thus streamlining administrative work.

Another participant, Karl Storz is specialized in the OR1 (digital integrated operating rooms) with a wide range of capabilities for videoconferencing and telemedicine. The solution can be integrated with HIS to send and receive data and make comprehensive electronic file for a patient.

Aamal Medical is the sole agent of these prestigious companies and with this impressive supplier portfolio, Aamal Medical is capable of providing wide-ranging services to any hospital or medical center, Aamal officials said.

They said the trend towards digital hospitals is gaining ground worldwide and is aimed at maximizing the benefits offered to patients and minimize the time, efforts and paper work required in normal hospital procedures.

The digital hospital concept can be applied to all hospitals regardless of its size and facilitates the collection of data for research purposes.

With digital hospitals, the patient files are saved as soft copies in a special system with all information related to the condition of the patient, lab tests, X-rays and prescribed medication are made available on line and can be accessed from different locations.

Sheikh Faisal said Qatar has witnessed tremendous development in the medical sector and which is now providing the best medical services in the Gulf region.