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In celebration of the Paediatric & Congenital Heart Centre (PCHC)'s 10-year anniversary, this edition of Heartbeat honours the Centre's role in providing comprehensive paediatric and congenital heart care for all age groups, in line with its mission statement of providing conducive treatment environment focusing on patient needs.

Since its establishment, PCHC's biggest achievement has been streamlining our sub-specialties to make our services more efficient. Its comprehensive care for patients with congenital heart diseases is effectively executed, with the improved process of flow in each service area giving patients the assurance of a fast response and shorter waiting times.

Not only is PCHC committed in the ongoing care and treatment of its patients, it has gone above and beyond in setting up NADI PCHC – a volunteer group working as a support network for caregivers, patients, and medical practitioners alike. It strives to ensure the betterment of all paediatric and congenital heart patients in the most critical aspect – education, psychological and financial of living with congenital heart disease.

Over the past 10 years, the Centre has grown and diversified its services for patients. Its services range from general paediatric cardiology to specialised clinics that cater to every need of Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) patients – regardless of age and complexity. With the technological advancements PCHC offers, IJN has been able to be more

precise in the diagnosis of complex heart conditions prior to administering treatment.

PCHC also deals with more than half of the country's congenital heart cases and has earned a sterling reputation globally for dealing with complex cardiac cases in children as well as being the only centre in Malaysia providing established care for paediatric heart rhythm issues.

The continued pursuit of collaborative relationships between PCHC with local and international partners has also pushed us to further the development of paediatric cardiology in Malaysia. Additionally, the Centre's distinctive service is constantly being measured against the highest of accreditation standards to ensure absolute excellence is provided to patients.

It is with great pride that we celebrate PCHC's 10th anniversary in conjunction with IJN's 30th anniversary, as it is clear to see how much PCHC has offered to the people of Malaysia since its conception. Even with IJN continually pushing the envelope of cardiovascular and thoracic care, the heart of everyone at IJN leaps for what the future has in store for PCHC.