TAKING NUMBERS TO HEART

Since its inception in 1992, the Paediatric & Congenital Health Centre (PCHC) has been an essential part of IJN. The unit has treated thousands of children with congenital heart disease successfully while giving them hope for a brighter future. They are committed to serve their patients from before they are born until adulthood. Their specialised clinics provide comprehensive clinical services with a patient care focus culture.

SPECIALISED CLINICS OF PCHC



General Paediatric Cardiology Clinic

The Clinic serves to treat both new and existing patients by:

- · Detail assessment of patients
- Providing care plan involving further advanced diagnostic procedure and investigation
- Providing care plan on surgical or non-surgical intervention i.e. transcatheter intervention



Pacemaker & Arrhythmia Clinic (Abnormal Heart Rhythm)

They offer:

- · Diagnosis and management plan for arrhythmia
- · Care plan on specific investigation on treatment for paediatric arrhythmia
- Appropriate functional assessment including pacemaker generator and lead integrity test
- · Battery status assessment
- · Elective replacement time
- · Pacemaker settings changes



Cardiac-Genetic Combine Clinic (Marfan & Aortopathy)

The services provided:

- · A thorough evaluation of Marfan and other related cardio-genetic patients
- · Provide ongoing comprehensive care for patients with Marfan syndrome and other Aortopathies
- Family screening
- · Pre and Post-Surgical assessment of patients with Marfan and Aortopathies



Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) Clinic

The clinic provides:

- Early confirmatory diagnosis of PH and its possible causes
- Early and appropriate administrative general and specific Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) targeted treatment
- Long-term follow up and close monitoring of paediatric and adult patient with PH



Adult Congenital Heart Disease Clinic

Their multidisciplinary team offer services such as:

- · Management of adult with congenital heart defect
- Monitoring and management of long term effects of congenital heart defect i.e. arrhythmias, heart failure, pulmonary hypertension, residual lesions and other related issues
- Planning of surgical repair or re-interventions i.e. valve repair/replacement, conduit replacement
- Planning of transcatheter interventions or nonsurgical procedures i.e. atrial septal defect (ASD), stenting of Coarctation of aorta or branch Pulmonary artery stenosis, etc.



Foetal Cardiac Clinic

It is recommended to have foetal cardiac screening for pregnant women with:

- Detailed obstetric scan that shows abnormal heart or heartbeat
- History of Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) in close family (yourself, husband and other children).
- History of taking medications (anti-epileptic drugs, acne medication, vitamin A), drugs, or alcohol and smoking during pregnancy
- Other medical conditions i.e. rubella, type 1 diabetes, SLE, phenylketonuria, etc.
- · In vitro fertilization

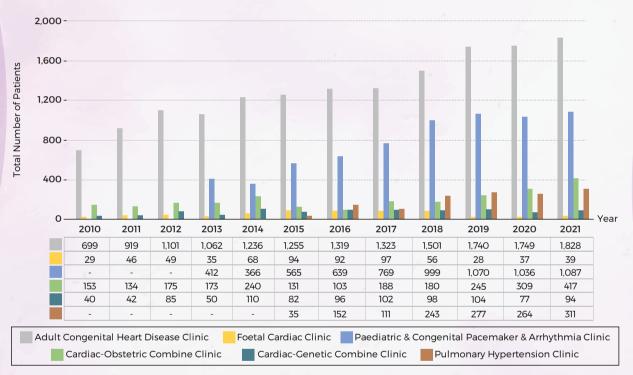


Cardiac-Obstetric Combine Clinic (Pregnancy & Heart Disease)

The clinic provides cardiac and obstetric expertise for the following:

- Pre-pregnancy counselling on the risk and outcome
- · Contraception advice (family planning)
- Antenatal management of women with heart disease
- Labour, delivery and post-natal management of pregnant women with high cardiovascular risk
- Post-delivery follow up and advice on further cardiac management

PATIENT VISITS TO EACH SPECIALISED CLINICS FROM 2010 - 2021



The integrated PCHC services offered to their paediatric patients with congenital and acquired heart disease is treated regardless of its complexity.

The services range from:

- · Foetal echocardiography (heart scan for babies 18 24 weeks of age)
- · Complete pacemaker analysis and treatment of paediatric arrhythmias
- · Cardiac management for patients with Marfan syndrome and other Aortopathies e.g. Loeys Dietz syndrome
- Pregnant mothers with heart diseases (collaboration between PCHC and the Maternal Foetal Medicine unit, Hospital Kuala Lumpur)