

Media Release

**Expanding Medical Horizons:
RafflesMedicalGroup Inaugurates a New Medical Landmark**

1 December 2014 – Mr Gan Kim Yong, the Minister for Health, today officiated at the groundbreaking ceremony for **RafflesHospital's** new extension building.

The extension building, to be built at a cost of S\$310 million, will be 20-storey high with two basements. Together with the existing hospital building, the combined development will yield a gross floor area of about 530,000 square feet, almost double the size of its existing hospital facilities.

When completed, the new medical tower, amalgamated with the existing hospital building at North Bridge Road, will constitute an integrated medical complex well-positioned to meet the changing healthcare needs of patients. The total development will function as a one-stop medical hub that supports patient-centred and team-based care, as well as **RafflesHospital's** programme for growth of its clinical services, teaching and research activities (refer to building specifications in Annex A).

“We hope to meet the increasingly sophisticated healthcare needs of Singaporeans and foreign patients, in terms of quality of care and service. Our patients will experience an enhanced level of coordinated and integrated care by our multi-disciplinary team of staff specialists in a campus setting. This expansion will offer **RafflesHospital** a 10-year runway that will benefit patients in new ways,” said Dr Loo Choon Yong, Executive Chairman of **RafflesMedicalGroup**.

RafflesHospital is a unique private hospital centred on a philosophy of institutional group practice. This model affords a structure of clinical governance and a staff of medical specialists working as a team and sharing a common commitment to the highest quality of medical practice through service, teaching and research. As a group practice, our specialists subscribe to clinical audit and peer review, adhere to a professional fee schedule, and adopt a team-based approach to integrated care. Patients with complicated or multiple diagnoses are able to benefit from coordinated and seamless care, drawing on professional skills and capabilities across a number of clinical disciplines available under one roof.

The new extension will serve as a state-of-the-art ambulatory centre housing specialist and family medicine clinics, diagnostic services including an advanced imaging centre, an endoscopy and day surgery ward, a radiotherapy suite, and training facilities. It will be linked on all floors to the existing **RafflesHospital** building to integrate operations for optimal patient flow. Upon completion of the extension building, we will carry out extensive renovations to the existing **RafflesHospital** building to expand inpatient and critical care services such as emergency room, operating theatres, labour ward, ICUs, and wards, research facilities and other specialist clinics.

About 400 guests comprising officials from government agencies, corporate clients, business associates and media partners attended the ceremony. A three-dimensional model and various perspectives of the new hospital building were also on display during the event.

RafflesHospital started operations on its present site in 2001 as a comprehensive private tertiary hospital offering a range of healthcare services, and has since evolved into a one-stop medical destination serving patients from more than 100 countries.

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RafflesMedicalGroup (SGX: RafflesMG) is a leading integrated private healthcare provider in Singapore and the region.

RafflesMedical clinics form one of the largest network of private family medicine centres in Singapore. The Group also operates a clinic network in Hong Kong and a medical centre in Shanghai.

RafflesHospital, the flagship of Raffles Medical Group, is a private tertiary hospital located in the heart of Singapore offering a wide range of specialist medical and diagnostic services for both inpatients and outpatients. Representing more than 30 disciplines, our team of specialists constitutes a group practice combining sub-specialty expertise and teamwork to ensure optimal, affordable and high quality care for our patients. The Group also has representative offices in Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Brunei, Bangladesh and the Russian Far East, as well as associates throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

RafflesDental is a team-based dental group in Singapore comprising of a specialist dental practice at Raffles Hospital and a network of general dental clinics.

RafflesHealthInsurance provides healthcare insurance to corporate and individual clients.

RafflesHealthCareInstitute supports **RafflesMedicalGroup's** growing manpower deployment needs, and contributes to training of local and foreign healthcare professionals to increase competency and professionalism.

For more information, please refer to our website at www.rafflesmedicalgroup.com.

Building Specifications

1	Site area	1,978 square metres
2	Plot ratio	5.6
3	Gross floor area	20,600 square metres About 50,000 square metres (combined with existing building)
4	Number of storeys	20
5	Number of basements	2
6	Building height	About 100 metres
7	Typical floor plate net floor area	About 850 square metres
8	Number of car park	Approximately 120 lots (520 lots combined with existing lots)
9	Total development cost	S\$310 million
10	Construction period	24 months
11	Building features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand triple-volume main lobby • Fully connected to existing hospital via inter-building link bridges / ramps on all floors. • Triple-volume communal sky terrace at L17 • Supporting F&B (eg. food court, café, retail pharmacy) and retail facilities at podium and basement floors • Incorporating greenery and sustainability design
12	Medical facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialist outpatient clinics: patient-centric layout; interior design tailored to specific patient groups (eg. children) • Endoscopy and day surgery ward • Advanced imaging • Radiotherapy suite
13	Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct vehicular access from new through road • Future connection to Bugis MRT at Basement 1 level