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From left: Goh, Narine, and NKF Malaysia senior dialysis manager Tan Chor Seong touring the NKF-Berjaya Resource Centre in Petaling Jaya yesterday.

Berjaya donates RM320,000 equipment to NKF

PETALING JAYA: Berjaya Cares Foundation presented the National Kidney Foundation of Malaysia (NKF) with 10 units of dialyser reprocessor machines worth RM320,000.

Berjaya Group executive director Nerine Tan handed over the machines to NKF chief executive officer Chua Hong Wee in a ceremony at NKF headquarters yesterday.

NKF Malaysia board of directors vice-chairman Goh Seng Chuan said the 10 machines will be placed at the NKF centres in Taiping, Klang, Klang, Kuching, Petaling Jaya,

Johor Baru and Kuala Terengganu.

"This event today would not have been possible if not for the generosity and support from Berjaya Cares Foundation," said Goh.

There are approximately 1,500 dialysis patients receiving subsidised dialysis treatment in 27 NKF dialysis centres nationwide and the number is growing annually.

The dialyser reprocessor machines enable a single dialyser to be reused 10 to 13 times. With a single dialyser costing RM40 and a patient needing three treatments a week, these machines could save

RM480 per month per patient.

"Our partnership with Berjaya Group began about 17 years ago when a dialysis centre was made possible and officially opened on Dec 6, 1996," said Goh.

Last year, Berjaya Cares Foundation contributed to dialysis machines worth RM450,000 to NKF.

"My sincere appreciation to Berjaya founder Tan Sri Vincent Tan for setting up the Berjaya Cares Foundation in 2008 to help Malaysians and NGOs like NKF, as well as to serve and engage the community at large," said Goh.