



Nerine Tan, executive director of Berjaya Group with the Renatron reprocessors, flanked by Chua (left) and Goh Seng Chuan, vice-chairman of NKF.

Kidney patients benefit from Vincent Tan's help

KUALA LUMPUR: The high cost of dialysis treatment has led Tan Sri Vincent Tan, under Berjaya Cares Foundation, to contribute financial aid to some of the non-profit hospitals and medical care facilities.

Pusat Amal Berjaya was set up for the National Kidney Foundation Malaysia (NKF) after a generous donation of RM672,000 in 1996, and later in 2011, Berjaya Cares Foundation donated another RM120,000 to start up the NKF-Berjaya Resource Centre.

"Berjaya's contribution has helped our organisation in our various activities and 1,500 of our patients benefit greatly from their generosity," said NKF's CEO Chua Hong Wee.

"In May 2012, Berjaya Cares Foundation further donated 10 dialysis machines worth RM450,000 to NKF dialysis centres and, later in April 2013, 10 Renatron reprocessors worth RM320,000 were donated. We depend on public generosity for our operations for our patients, many of whom are not able to afford dialysis treatment elsewhere."

Mawar Haemodialysis Centre is an independent, non-profit organisation which



provides premium class dialysis treatment at subsidised cost and supports end stage renal failure patients.

"In 2008, we received a donation of RM1 million from Tan Sri Vincent Tan to set up the BMF-Teratai Hemodialysis Unit. In 2012, RM270,000 was contributed by Berjaya Cares Foundation which was used to purchase six dialysis machines for our centres and the RM600,000 donated in 2013 was used to set up a new centre in Serian, Sarawak.

"The aid received from Tan Sri Vincent Tan and Berjaya Cares Foundation has allowed us to go the extra mile to help the poor and the needy," said its founder Datuk Yeow Chai Thiam.

Berjaya Cares Foundation also donated RM300,000 in 2011 to the Tzu Chi Dialysis Centre and RM250,000 for four dialysis machines in 2012 and 2013.

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