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## KDF Kreta Ayer Centre gets a facelift!

KDF's Kreta Ayer Centre first opened its doors to needy kidney failure patients on 9 October 2004. Since then, the centre has been faithfully operating 6 days a week, 16 hours a day, fully dedicated to the patients under KDF's care. Situated at the heart of Chinatown, patients residing in the area find convenience and accessibility in this sanctuary where they find rest and receive their dialysis treatments.

During the 12-week closure of the Kreta Ayer Centre, patients were temporarily relocated to KDF's two other haemodialysis centres - Bishan and Ghim Moh. With the help of trained nurses, medical personnel and dedicated staff, this logistical challenge was managed and our patients relocated without any compromise in patient care.

The refreshed Kreta Ayer Centre was spruced up with 16 brand new dialysis machines, new Haemodialysis Water Systems and 6 new sets of LCD TVs. The unobstructed walkways as a result of repositioning the furniture provide ample space for patients and nurses to move about. Nurse Farah echoed these thoughts when asked about the new centre, "The walkway is very spacious now, as it was previously blocked by trolleys. The 6 new TVs are also an improvement compared to the 4 bulky TVs that had to be shared among all patients in the centre."



Despite staying in Sengkang, dialysis patient, Mdm Lim much prefers the Kreta Ayer Centre as she shares a close bond with the nurses at Kreta Ayer Centre. She finds the revamped centre spacious and easy to move around. The fresh coat of paint and new flooring also breathes new life to the centre.



Apart from the patients, nurses and doctors also enjoy the refurbished Doctor's Room, as well as the Nurses' Station and pantry. When asked about her thoughts of the newly renovated centre, Admin Assistant Cindy Tan thinks the renovated centre has a different layout and looks brighter and cleaner with the new furniture and extra space. She also finally has a space of her own; a new reception area is up in place of the vacant wall that used to greet visitors

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## Facts about Kreta Ayer Centre:

No. of new dialysis machines: 16

Total no. of patients: 71

Maximum patient capacity: 90

Operating hours: 16 hours per day

Nurse/Patient Ratio: 1:5

No. of Attending Nephrologists in a

month: 6

Operating Time: 7am -11pm, Monday to Saturday before the revamp.



As KDF constantly works hard at providing improved and comfortable environments for patients to dialyse, we hope that donors will support us in our work - to be the sculptors of this landscape that our patients call their home. To make an e-donation to KDF, please click here.

KDF not only supports the needy patients by providing quality and highly subsidised treatment and patient care but also supports research that will lead to the prevention and cure of kidney and kidney-related diseases. Our mission will not have been possible without the relentless support from our donors. All of us at KDF thank you for being with us as we cross yet another milestone in making a difference in the lives of our needy patients.

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