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New Pediatric Clinics Open at the Sidra Outpatient Clinic

Doha, Qatar, 16 August 2016 — Sidra Medical and Research Center (Sidra) is pleased to announce the opening of three additional pediatric clinics at the Sidra Outpatient Clinic. Neurosurgery, Urology and Orthopedics consultation clinics are now open for referral based pediatric patients.

- **Pediatric Urology:** The Pediatric Urology Clinic is headed by [Dr. Joao Luiz Pippi Salle](#), the Division Chief of Pediatric Urology. The clinic will provide consultation for children with acquired and congenital lesions of the kidney, ureters, bladder, urethra, gonads and genitalia, and the counseling and therapy of antenatally (occurring or present before birth) identified lesions. Dr. Salle and his team also apply innovative surgical techniques for the treatment of urinary incontinence, reconstruction or revision of the renal pelvis and also treat children born with atypical genitalia.
- **Pediatric Neurosurgery:** The Pediatric Neurosurgery Clinic is under [Dr. Khalid Al-Kharazi](#) who is the Acting Division Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery. The Clinic will provide pediatric consultation for the treatment of brain and spinal diseases in children including brain tumours, traumatic brain injuries and hydrocephalus. Dr. Kharazi's team also treats spinal tumours, craniosynostosis (a rare condition in which a baby develops or is born with an abnormally shaped skull) and congenital malformations.
- **Pediatric Orthopedics:** The Pediatric Orthopedics Clinic is headed by [Dr. Jason Howard](#) who is the Division Chief of Orthopedic Surgery. This clinic is staffed by fellowship-trained pediatric orthopedic surgeons and experienced nursing and allied health professionals. The clinic specializes in the treatment of general pediatric orthopedic conditions including: clubfoot, hip dysplasia, limb deformity, and others. The clinic will also accept referrals for more specialized pediatric orthopedic conditions including: neuromuscular disorders (e.g. cerebral palsy) and spinal deformities (e.g. scoliosis).

The Sidra Outpatient Clinic is currently accepting referral based patients from Hamad Medical Corporation (HMC), Primary Health Care Corporation and the QF Primary Health Care Center. While consultations with the Sidra surgical team are based out of the Sidra Outpatient Clinic, all surgical procedures and operations are currently being conducted at HMC hospitals.

Sidra is collaborating closely with other healthcare institutions in Qatar to expand the referral network as and when more clinics and services are launched. The Sidra Outpatient Clinic currently has over 25 clinics, allied health and clinical services and will be fully operational by January 2017. For more information about our clinics and services, please visit www.sidra.org.

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About Sidra Medical and Research Center

Sidra Medical and Research Center will be a groundbreaking hospital, research and education institution, focusing on the health and wellbeing of children and women regionally and globally. Sidra represents the vision of Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser who serves as its Chairperson. The high-tech facility will not only provide world-class patient care but will also help build Qatar's scientific expertise and resources.

Sidra will be a fully digital facility, incorporating the most advanced information technology applications in all its functions. Designed by renowned architect Cesar Pelli, Sidra features a main hospital building and a separate outpatient clinic. The main hospital will initially have 400 beds with infrastructure to enable expansion to 550 beds in a subsequent phase.

Sidra opened its Outpatient Clinic on 1 May 2016 and offers outpatient services for women and children through a referral based system in partnership with other healthcare providers in Qatar. The Sidra Outpatient Clinic is expected to be fully operational by January 2017.

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Sidra is also part of a dynamic research and education environment in Qatar and through strong partnerships with leading institutions around the world, Sidra is creating an intellectual ecosystem to help advance scientific discovery through investment in medical research. For more information please visit www.sidra.org.

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