



## Press Release

### **Key Methodist Hospital leaders in Dubai to visit Emaar Healthcare Group's first medical centre and upcoming projects**

- *The Dubai Mall Medical Centre is the first and flagship centre to open under partnership*
- *Additional clinics in The Meadows and Arabian Ranches communities to open soon*
- *Visit supported by the American Business Council of Dubai and the Northern Emirates*

**Dubai, UAE; November 10, 2009:** The Methodist Hospital System and Methodist International (MI) recently held a VIP event in Dubai in collaboration with Emaar Healthcare Group to celebrate their strategic partnership. The Dubai Mall Medical Centre is the first and flagship facility to have opened under this partnership.

The event, supported by the American Business Council of Dubai and the Northern Emirates, was attended by senior executives from The Methodist Hospital and Emaar Properties including Mr Ahmad Al Matrooshi, Managing Director – UAE, Emaar Properties; Mr Ronald G. Giroto, President and CEO of The Methodist Hospital System; Dr. Lynn Schroth, CEO, Methodist International and Mr Omar Al Shunnar, CEO, Emaar Healthcare Group.

The Methodist Hospital is regarded as one of America's leading academic medical centres. Working closely with Methodist in their forthcoming projects in the UAE and throughout the MENA region, Emaar Healthcare Group's partnership with Methodist International is aimed at leveraging the expertise of the premier healthcare provider to deliver advanced healthcare services in the Middle East and beyond.

The Dubai Mall Medical Centre has set the platform for developing world-class healthcare facilities. In addition to its emphasis on evidence-based medicine and commitment to international best practices, The Dubai Mall Medical Centre offers superior hospitality standards with exceptional customer service and a patient oriented experience, raising the bar for healthcare delivery in the region.

Dr. Lynn Schroth, Chief Executive Officer, Methodist International said: "Our partnership with Emaar Healthcare brings together two leading organizations with a shared vision for innovation, quality and performance, and aims to deliver a differentiated standard of clinical quality. The Dubai Mall Medical Centre is a world-class project that delivers the highest standards of care."

Mr Omar Al Shunnar, Chief Executive Officer, Emaar Healthcare Group said: "Through our partnership with Methodist International our patients will have access to new standards in healthcare. Emaar Healthcare is leveraging Methodist's legacy of nearly 100 years of proven expertise to offer world-class healthcare, global best practices and the highest standards of care at our medical facilities. The partnership establishes a strong benchmark for advanced, need-based and path-breaking healthcare practices in the region."



The Dubai Mall Medical Centre is a 60,000 sq ft premium, multi-specialty outpatient facility offering up to 24 key specialties and is the largest out-patient facility in the region. The centre offers a patient-centric approach to healthcare in a calm and welcoming environment. The centre enhances the patient's lifestyle and improves quality of life. Patients also benefit from obtaining second opinions from The Methodist Hospital Specialists in the US.

The Methodist team also visited two further healthcare facilities in The Meadows and Arabian Ranches communities that are due to open soon, continuing the partnership between Methodist International and Emaar Healthcare. Through The Dubai Mall Medical Centre and the future clinics, Emaar Healthcare is laying the foundations for a truly integrated healthcare system.

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### **Note to Editors**

#### **About Methodist International:**

The Methodist Hospital in Houston has a legacy of nearly 100 years of medical milestones that attracts patients from around the world. As a founding member of Texas Medical Centre, Methodist is a major academic medical centre that was home to famed heart surgeon Dr. Michael E. DeBakey. The Methodist Hospital is recognized by the American Nurses Credentialing Centre with Magnet Designation in the areas of nursing administration, education, clinical practice, research and quality. Methodist was ranked by U.S. News & World Report on its prestigious "Best Hospitals Honour Roll" for 2009 and is ranked No. 8 among FORTUNE magazine's 2009 "100 Best Companies to Work For". Methodist is the highest ranked healthcare organization in the U.S. and ranked 1st in the U.S. for its patient satisfaction score by UHC. Methodist is also one of the nation's most wired systems, according to the 2009 Most Wired Survey and Benchmarking Study. Methodist International (MI) is a subsidiary of The Methodist Hospital, whose mission is to build health care capacity through the transfer of best practices to the global community. As the global arm of one of America's largest and most successful private hospitals, MI is uniquely positioned to mobilize the enormous value and expertise of this organization in a relevant and highly specific manner to benefit its clients.

#### **About Emaar Healthcare Group LLC:**

Emaar Healthcare Group LLC, the wholly owned subsidiary of Emaar Properties PJSC, plans to develop and manage hospitals, clinics and medical centres in the Middle East and North Africa region, the Indian Subcontinent and South East Asia. These centres will offer quality health services and also work to strengthen the healthcare sector of the various countries through effective public-private partnerships. Emaar Healthcare has also formed a strategic tie-up with a renowned medical institution to bring about and set best practice standards in all the regions it serves.

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