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## Medical Director

04-3776860

### Dr. Persha Nayak

- Certified in General Surgery in the UK, with additional qualifications in laparoscopic surgery.
- 23 years of surgical experience.
- Areas of interest include gastrointestinal and endocrine surgery and surgery for breast diseases.

## Allergy / Immunology

04-3776893

### Dr. Carlos Morales-Mateluna

- American Board Certified in Allergy & Immunology.
- American Board Certified in Pediatrics.
- Attending Physician at the Allergy Clinic at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, USA.
- Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Drexel University Medical College, Philadelphia, PA, USA.

## Anaesthesia / Pain Management

04-3776922

### Dr. Tim Cooper

- American Board certified in Anaesthesiology.
- Fellowship at McGill University, Canada.
- Particular interest in acute pain management, obstetrics and high-risk anaesthesia.

### **Dr. James Bucknall**

- Fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists.
- Over 30 years experience in clinical anaesthesia in the UK and across Europe.
- Particular clinical interests in acute pain management, paediatric anaesthesia, obstetric anaesthesia and difficult airway management.

### **Dr. Robin MacGillivray**

- Certified in South Africa in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care.
- Over 25 years experience in the US, South Africa & the UAE.
- Special interests include cardiothoracic anaesthesia and clinical research in critical care.

### **Dr. Nayzak Raof**

- Certified in Iraq and UK
- Fellow of the Royal College of Anesthesia - UK
- PhD Clinical Pharmacology, University of London
- Particular interest in acute and chronic pain management,obstetrics and research in anesthesia.

### **Dr. Tibor Serdült**

- German Board Certification in Anesthesiology.
- Completed study of Medicine from the University of Ulm, Germany.
- Senior Consultant Anesthesiologist at St. Elisabeth Hospital,Ravensburg, Germany.

### **Dr. Bassam Al Asad**

- Primary FFARCS and DA (London) in 1983.
- FFARCSI (Dublin) in 1984.
- Anesthesia training at University Hospital, Wales, UK.

## Ante-Natal Classes

Mobile: 050-5585901

### **Froozandeh Afshar**

*Midwife • Education/Community Liaison*

- Registered nurse, midwife and breast feeding consultant.
- Qualified and worked in the UK.
- Has been with American Hospital Dubai for the last 6 years.

## Audiologist

04-3776450

### **Lubaina Sharafally**

- Masters degree from University of Kansas Medical Center, USA.
- Certified by the American Speech Language Hearing Association since 1990.
- She has obtained intensive training at many major American medical centers and hospitals.
- For many years was associated with the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston, USA.

### **Dr. Rana Batterjee**

- American Board Certified in Audiology
- Fellowship in the American Academy of Audiology.
- Bilingual clinical audiologist who has over ten years experience in evaluating hearing in children and adults.
- Certificate in clinical competence from the American Speech and Hearing Association.

## Back Care Specialists

04-3776924

### **Dr. Kassem El-Shunnar**

*Consultant Neurosurgeon,  
Director, Neuroscience Centre,  
Chairman, Department of Surgery*

- FRCS and CCST in Neurological Surgery.
- Previously Consultant Neurosurgeon at Derriford Hospital, Plymouth, UK
- Main interests are brain tumors and other brain conditions such as brain aneurysms and brain hemorrhage, brain navigation and microscopic and minimally invasive surgery on the brain and spine.

### **Dr. Bhavna Khan**

- Member of Royal College of Physicians (London).
- Completed her CCST in Rheumatology.

## Breast Feeding Education Mobile: 050-5585901

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- Special interests include breast, thyroid & hemorrhoid surgery

### **Dr. Aaron Han**

- American Board Certified in both Anatomic and Clinical Pathology.
- Special Qualification in Hematology.
- Fellowship in Hematopathology.
- Special interest in lymphoma breast and Gynaecologic Cancer pathology.

### **Dr. Reem El Bahtimi**

- Director of Dermatopathology & Consultant Pathologist.
- Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, Al Ain University
- Over ten years experience in Pathology & Dermatopathology.
- US Board certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology 1999.
- US Board certified in Dermatopathology 2001.
- Fellowship in Dermatopathology at the Medical University of South Carolina.
- Residency training in combined Anatomic and Clinical Pathology.

### **Dr. Jan Lindberg**

- Swedish Board Certified in Diagnostic Radiology.
- Fellow of the Swedish College of Radiologists and Member of the Swedish Society of Thoracic Radiology.
- 30 years of experience in all modalities of medical imaging including Multislice CT, MRI/MRA, Mammography, Ultrasound and a wide variety of interventional techniques, biopsy methods and conventional x-ray imaging.
- Special interest in Breast and Chest imaging including CT Coronary Angiography.

## Cardiology

04-3776571

### Dr. Khaldoun Taha

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Cardiovascular Medicine.
- Fellow, American College of Cardiology.
- Member, American Heart Association.

## Interventional Cardiology

04-3776571

### Dr. Omar Kamel Hallak

- American Board Certified in Interventional Cardiology.
- American Board Certified in Cardiovascular Diseases.
- American Board Certified in Vascular Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Endovascular Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Nuclear Cardiology.
- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Illinois in Chicago
- Fellowship in Cardiology and Interventional Cardiology at Louisiana State University.

## Cardiothoracic Surgery

04-3776364

### Prof. Dr. Uwe Klima

*MD, Ph.D; Professor of Surgery*

*Director Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery*

- European Board Certified in Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery
- European Board Certified in Vascular Surgery
- German and Austrian Board Certified in General Surgery
- Member American Heart Association
- Member European Society Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Special interest in minimally invasive and reconstructive heart, aortic arch and aortic surgery.

### **Dr. Abdalla Elsebaey**

- Completed Cardiothoracic and Vascular surgery at Al Azhar University Hospital, Egypt.
- Clinical fellow in Cardiothoracic surgery at Bichat University Hospital, France; Laval University, Quebec Heart Institute and the Alberta University Hospital, Canada.
- Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Cardiac Surgery, Al-Azhar University, Egypt.

## **Cochlear Implant**

**04-3776450**

### **Dr. Muaaz Tarabichi**

- American Board Certified in ENT.
- Served as the Chairman of the Department of Surgery in St. Catherine Hospital, Wisconsin, USA.
- Honoured for excellence in research by the American Academy of Otolaryngology.
- Serves on the Editorial Board of the Laryngoscope.

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## **Nadine Ewanchyshyn**

- Bachelor of Teaching in Early Childhood Education.
- Master of Science in Communication Disorders.
- Certificate from American Speech Language Hearing Association and the Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists.
- Worked in Canada, Bermuda and Dubai.

## **Ghada Ajamieh**

- Bachelor degree in Linguistics Science followed by a Masters of Speech and Language Therapy from the University of Jordan.
- Over eight years experience in evaluating speech and language disorders in children & adults in addition to providing therapy.

## Colorectal Surgery

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## Diabetes Counselling

04-3776876

### Dr. M. Belal Alshammaa

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Endocrinology & Diabetes.
- Fellow of the American College of Endocrinology, USA.
- Member of the Endocrine Society, American Diabetes Association and American College of Physicians.

### Dr. Hubert Penninckx

- Belgian Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Belgian Board Certified in Endocrinology and Diabetes.
- Member of European Association for Study of Diabetes
- Previous Head of Department Endocrinology in Belgium for more than 15 years.

## Dialysis

04-3776370

### Dr. Fahed Kouli

#### *Chief of Internal Medicine*

- American Board Certified in Hypertension, Nephrology and Internal Medicine.
- Nephrology fellowship from Johns Hopkins University, USA
- 15 years medical practice in the USA.

## Dietician

04-3776606

### **Mariam Saleh**

- Registered with the Health Professions Council, UK.
- Over 10 years of practice at the American University of Beirut Medical Centre, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Member of the British Dietetic Association.

### **May El Moghrabi**

- BSc. in Nutrition and Dietetics from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon.
- Member of the American Dietetic Association

### **Dalia Shukri**

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Nutrition and Dietetics from the American University of Beirut.
- Trained at the St. George Hospital in Lebanon.
- Performed research field work in the field of Dietetics within Lebanon corresponding with the American University of Beirut.

## Ear, Nose and Throat

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- Honoured for excellence in research by the American Academy of Otolaryngology.
- Serves on the Editorial Board of the Laryngoscope.

### **Dr. Heiko Schmidt**

- German Board Certified in Otolaryngology.
- Previously, Consultant otolaryngologist at Altona Children's Hospital in Germany.
- Sub speciality in Pediatric ENT Surgery.
- Sub speciality in Laser ENT Surgery.

## **Emergency Medicine**

**04-3776644**

### **Dr. Imad A. Fakhani**

*Chief Of Emergency Medicine Department*

*Chief Of Ambulance Services*

- American Board Certified in Family Medicine.
- BLS, PALS, ATLS and ACLS Certified.
- Practiced as ER Medicine Consultant at King Faisal Specialist Hospital, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
- Attending ER Medicine Physician at Wesley Medical Center, Kansas, USA.

### **Dr. Hesham Abd El-atif**

- Completed Study of Medicine at Alexandria University Hospital, Egypt.
- MRCS(Ed) in Accident, and Emergency Medicine.
- ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support), ATLS (Advanced Trauma Life Support) and PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support) Certified.

### **Dr. Adan Ramirez**

- Board Certified in Family Medicine by the American Academy of Family Physicians.
- Board Certified in Emergency Medicine by the American Association of Physician Specialists.
- Working as Emergency Medicine Attending Physician at Tipton Baptist Memorial Hospital, Covington, USA.
- Also Worked as Senior Medical Officer in the Emergency Medicine at Maryborough and Hervey Bay Hospitals, Queensland, Australia.
- ACLS, PALS and ATLS certified.
- Completed his basic medical training from Montemorelos University, Montemorelos, Mexico.

## **Endocrinology**

**04-3776876**

### **Dr. Mohamed Belal Alshammaa**

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## Endoscopic Sinus Surgery

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- Sub speciality in Laser ENT Surgery.

## Primary Care (General Practitioners)

04-3776877

### Dr. Tariq S. Akbar

- MBBS from King Edward Medical College Lahore, Pakistan.
- Completed a three year family practice residency in Ohio, USA.
- Diplomat American Board of Family Medicine and a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians.
- Served as a family physician in the USA for five years.
- Area of interest is Preventive Medicine.

### **Dr. Fadi Hamwi**

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Geriatrics.
- Geriatric fellowship at the Miami Medical Center, Florida, USA.

### **Dr. Abdullah Riar**

- US Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Private office practice of Internal Medicine in a group setting since 1987.
- Affiliated with the Department of Internal Medicine at various hospitals in Maryland including, Greater Laurel Regional Hospital, Doctors Hospital, Washington Adventist Hospital and Washington Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington D.C.

### **Dr. Aamerah Shah**

- Member of Royal College of General Practitioner (MRCGP), UK.
- Member of Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (MRCP) since 2003.
- Diploma in Internal Medicine from the Royal Postgraduate Medical School, Hammersmith Hospital, London, UK.
- Diploma in Cardiology from the Royal Brompton Hospital, National Heart & Lung Institute, London, UK.
- Diploma in Obstetrics and Gynaecology from Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynecology UK.
- Special interest in Diabetes, Hypertension, Cardiology and Medical Specialties.

### **Dr. Blanca Rincon-Aznar**

- Member of the Royal College of General Practitioners (MRCGP).
- Member of the Royal College of Physicians since 2006.
- Postgraduate medical training in Internal Medicine, U.K.
- Special interests in Rheumatology & Medical Specialties

## **Gastroenterology**

**04-3776893**

### **Dr. Denesh Gopalan**

- Fellow of Royal College of Physicians.
- Trained in Gastroenterology at the prestigious Beaumont and Mater Hospitals in Dublin, Ireland.
- Special interests include control of massive Upper GI bleeding, PEG Interferon treatment of Chronic Hep C, therapeutic ERCP's Sphincterotomy, Stone extractions and Stenting.

### **Dr. Abdullah A. Fayyad**

- American Board Certified in Gastroenterology and Hepatology (2003).
- Member of the American College of Gastroenterology and American Gastroenterological Association.
- Specialized in all areas of diagnostic and therapeutic Endoscopy, ERCP, stenting, PEG placement, bleeding treatment, Gastroesophageal reflux disease and all acid related diseases, irritable bowel syndrome, motility studies, capsule Endoscopy, PH monitoring, inflammatory bowel disease, all diseases of the liver and the different types of hepatitis.

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- Special interests include breast, thyroid & hemorrhoid surgery.

## Geriatrics

04-3776893

### Dr. Senthil Meenrajan

- US Board Certified in Internal Medicine (2004) and Board Certified in Geriatric Medicine (2005).
- Medical training in 1997 from Madras Medical College Chennai, India.
- Internal Medicine Residency training from Robert Packer Hospital, PA.
- Fellowship in Geriatrics from Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, OR.
- MBA in HealthCare Administration from Canyon College, Idaho in 2004.

## Hemorrhoids

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## **Heart Centre of Excellence**

**04-3776364**

### **Dr. Omar Kamel Hallak**

- American Board Certified in Interventional Cardiology.
- American Board Certified in Cardiovascular Diseases.
- American Board Certified in Vascular Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Endovascular Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Nuclear Cardiology.
- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Illinois in Chicago
- Fellowship in Cardiology and Interventional Cardiology at Louisiana State University.

### **Dr. Khaldoun Taha**

#### *Director of Heart Center*

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Cardiovascular Medicine.
- Fellow, American College of Cardiology.
- Member, American Heart Association.

## **Prof. Dr. Uwe Klima**

*MD, Ph.D; Professor of Surgery*

*Director Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery*

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- Clinical fellow in Cardiothoracic surgery at Bichat University Hospital, France; Laval University, Quebec Heart Institute and the Alberta University Hospital, Canada.
- Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Cardiac Surgery, Al-Azhar University, Egypt.

## **Hospitalist**

### **Dr. Saria Gouher**

- US Board Certified in Internal Medicine (2008).
- Medical training in 2001 from Deccan College of Medical Sciences, India
- ACLS certified.

## Infectious Diseases

04-3776893

### Dr. Moeena Zain

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Infectious Diseases.
- Clinical Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine at Regional Academic Health Center, San Antonio, TX, USA.
- Infectious Diseases specialist at the Ricardo Garcia PLLC, Texas, USA.

## Joint Replacement Centre of Excellence

04-3776831

### Dr. Samih Tarabichi

- Director of the Joints Replacement Centre of Excellence at American Hospital Dubai.
- Trained in Orthopaedics at McGill University, Canada.
- Previous private practice in the USA.
- Special interest in arthroscopic & joint replacement surgery.
- Holds two US patents for surgical instruments.
- Performed over 4000 Knee Joint Replacements in the last 20 years both in the USA and the Middle East.

### Dr. Marwan Hawari

- Degree from Damascus University with two years of experience in family medicine in Syria.
- Assisted Dr. Samih Tarabichi with more than 1000 joint replacement surgeries at American Hospital Dubai.

### **Dr. Uosife Alfahd**

- Certified Orthopedic Consultant from the Royal College of Physician and Surgeon Canada, subspecialized in lower limb reconstructive surgery and trauma.
- Orthopedic training at University of Toronto, Canada.
- Subspecialty fellowship at St. Michael Teaching Hospital University of Toronto.
- Main interests include joint replacement, revision, partial knee replacement, hip resurfacing surgery for the young with hip arthritis and orthopedic trauma.

## **Nephrology**

**04-3776370**

### **Dr. Fahed Kouli**

#### *Chief of Internal Medicine*

- American Board Certified in Hypertension, Nephrology and Internal Medicine.
- Nephrology fellowship from Johns Hopkins University, USA
- 15 years medical practice in the USA.

### **Dr. Viorica Khalili**

- US Board Certified in Internal Medicine (2002) and Nephrology (2004).
- Medical education from the University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timisoara, Romania, in 1994.

## Neurology

04-3776629

### Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Ismail

- American Board Certified in Neurology and Psychiatry.
- Sub speciality American Board Certified in Vascular Neurology (Stroke).
- Fellowship in Clinical Neurophysiology.

## Neurosurgery (Brain and Spine Surgery)

04-3776924

### Dr. Kassem El-Shunnar

*Consultant Neurosurgeon,  
Director, Neuroscience Centre,  
Chairman, Department of Surgery*

- FRCS and CCST in Neurological Surgery.
- Previously Consultant Neurosurgeon at Derriford Hospital, Plymouth, UK
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## Nuclear Medicine

04-3776668

### Dr. Phong Nguyen

- American Board certified in Nuclear Medicine.
- Fellowship in PET from UCLA Medical Centre, USA.
- Experienced in both, Nuclear Medicine and PET / CT.
- Practiced at St. John's Health Centre and John Wayne Cancer Institute, California, USA.

### **Dr. Shah Numani**

- American Medical Board Certified in Nuclear Medicine.
- Residency training from Albert Einstein University Hospital and Stony Brook University Hospital New York.
- Dedicated Fellowship training in PET/CT from New York University Medical Center, New York. Diagnostic Radiology residency from India.

## **Obesity Surgery**

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## **Obstetrics & Gynecology**

**04-3776879**

### **Dr. Omowunmi Braithwaite**

- Fellow of The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologist, London - UK.
- Advanced level gynaecology scanning for screening and diagnosis of gynaecology pathology
- Special interest in gynaecology surgery and all aspects of obstetrics

### **Dr. George Michailidis**

- CCT in Obstetrics and Gynecology in April 2007.
- Subspecialty training in Fetal and Maternal Medicine.
- MRCOG in May 2004.
- Diploma in Advanced Obstetric Ultrasound in April 2002.
- Subspecialty Fellow in Fetal and Maternal Medicine from October 2004 until February 2007 at Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust.

### **Dr. A.C. Rajalakshmi**

- Member of Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynecologist, UK.
- Masters Degree in Obstetrics and Gynecology.
- Fetal Medicinal Training - Bristol - UK.
- Extensive experience in high risk Obstetrics, Fetal Medicine, Obstetric Scanning, & Colposcopy Vaginal surgery, & Menopause.

## **Oncology / Hematology**

**04-3776369**

### **Dr. Maroun El Khoury**

- US Board Certified in Internal Medicine in 2003 and both Oncology & Hematology in 2006.
- Medical training from Saint Joseph University School of Medicine Beirut, Lebanon in 1999.
- Member of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, American Society of Hematology and American Academy of Pain Management.

## Oncology (Pediatric)

### Dr. Nidal Mahgoub

- Residency and Fellowship training at the University of California, San Francisco.
- US Board Certified in Pediatrics.
- US Board Certified in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology.
- Special interests in leukemia, solid tumors and benign hematological diseases.

## Ophthalmology

04-3776450

### Dr. Nadim Habash

- American Board Certified in Ophthalmology.
- Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, USA and the Royal College of Surgeons, Canada.
- 25 years experience in ophthalmology.

## Orthopedics

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### **Dr. Harold Vanderschmidt**

- Completed study of Medicine at Freie University Berlin and University Freiburg, Germany.
- Residency in General and Trauma Surgery at the Staedtische Kliniken Villingen – Schwenningen, Germany.
- Extensive experience in Arthroscopic Surgery techniques, Joint replacement surgery, Sports injuries, Trauma surgery, Foot and Ankle Surgery.
- Instructor for Arthroscopic Surgery (Germany)

### **Prof. Dr. Michael Weber**

- Director of Center for Limb Lengthening & Limb Reconstruction
- Specialist degree in Pediatric Orthopedics.
- FACHARZT in Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology.
- Specialist degree in Special Orthopedics & Trauma Surgery.

## **Pediatrics**

**04-3776488**

### **Dr. Abeer Khayat**

- American Board Certified in Pediatrics.
- Pediatric residency training from University of Florida Health Science Centre, Florida, USA.
- Additional specialization in Neonatology.

### **Dr. Bariah Dardari**

- American Board Certified in Pediatrics.
- Pediatric Residency at the New York Methodist Hospital / New York Weill Cornell in Brooklyn, NY, USA.
- BLS (Basic Life Support), PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support) and NRP (Neonatal Resuscitation Program) certified.
- Special interests in Neonatal Medicine and Developmental Pediatrics including hyperactivity disorders in Pediatrics, Autism and related disorders.
- Currently ongoing certification in biomedical interventions and DAN protocols.

### **Dr. AbedAlrazzak Aydin**

#### *President of Medical Staff*

- American Board Certified in Pediatrics.
- Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.
- Over 15 years of experience in Pediatrics in the USA.

### **Dr. Sanchita Bhattacharya**

- PALS and APLS certified.
- DCH, MRCP - Pediatrics, UK.
- MRCPCH in 1998 from the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health, UK.

### **Dr. Omer Ahmed**

- Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health UK.
- Pediatrics Training in Sabah Hospital-Kuwait, Alder Hay Hospital-Liverpool, Great Ormond Street and the Royal Free Hospital in London.
- General Paediatrician/Neonatologist. Special experience in Respiratory and Renal problems. Extensive experience in other general childhood problems/diseases.

### **Dr. Yaser Nakhlawi**

- US Board Certified in Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine (1996) and re-certified in 2003.
- Board Certified in Medical Quality (CMQ) from the American Board of Medical Quality (ABMQ).
- Masters Degree in Medical Management (MMM) from Tulane University – School of Public Health, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.

## **Pediatric Orthopedics**

**04-3776553**

### **Prof. Dr. Michael Weber**

- Director of Center for Limb Lengthening & Limb Reconstruction
- Specialist degree in Pediatric Orthopedics.
- FACHARZT in Orthopedic Surgery and Traumatology.
- Specialist degree in Special Orthopedics & Trauma Surgery.

## **Pathology & Laboratory Medicine 04-3776139**

### **Dr. Aaron Han**

- American Board Certified in Anatomic & Clinical Pathology.
- Special Qualification in Hematology.
- Fellowship in Hematopathology at University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, USA
- Special interest in Lymphomas Breast and Gynecologic Cancer pathology.

### **Dr. Reem El Bahtimi**

- Director of Dermatopathology & Consultant Pathologist.
- Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, Al Ain University
- Over ten years experience in Pathology & Dermatopathology.
- US Board certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology 1999.
- US Board certified in Dermatopathology 2001.
- Fellowship in Dermatopathology at the Medical University of South Carolina.
- Residency training in combined Anatomic & Clinical Pathology.

## **Pre and Post Natal**

**04-3776879**

### **Dr. Omowunmi Braithwaite**

- Fellow of The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologist, London - UK.
- Advanced level gynaecology scanning for screening and diagnosis of gynaecology pathology
- Special interest in gynaecology surgery and all aspects of obstetrics

### **Dr. George Michailidis**

- CCT in Obstetrics and Gynecology in April 2007.
- Subspecialty training in Fetal and Maternal Medicine.
- MRCOG in May 2004.
- Diploma in Advanced Obstetric Ultrasound in April 2002.
- Subspecialty Fellow in Fetal and Maternal Medicine from October 2004 until February 2007 at Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust.

### **Dr. A.C. Rajalakshmi**

- Member of The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologist, London - UK.
- Masters Degree in Obstetrics and Gynecology.
- Fetal Medicinal Training - Bristol - UK.
- Extensive experience in high risk Obstetrics, Fetal Medicine, Obstetric Scanning, & Colposcopy Vaginal surgery, & Menopause.

## **Pulmonology / Respiratory Medicine**

**04-3776893**

### **Dr. Emad Kowatli**

- American Board Certified in Pulmonary Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Critical Care Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Sleep Disorders.
- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Fellowship in Critical Care at the Chicago Medical School - USA.

### **Dr. Amro Al-Astal**

- American Board Certified in Pulmonary Disease.
- American Board Certified in Critical Care Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Sleep Disorders.
- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.

### **Dr. Isam Habib**

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, Critical Care Medicine, and Sleep Medicine.
- Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians and the American Academy of Sleep Medicine.
- More than ten years of experience in practicing Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine in USA.
- Great interest in interventional pulmonary procedures including EBUS (Endobronchial Ultrasound), Critical Care and Sleep Medicine.

## **Radiology**

**04-3776643**

### **Dr. Mohamed Helaly**

- Fellow of Faculty of Radiology Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.
- Fellowship of the Royal College of Radiologists, London, UK.
- Complete study of medicine at Cairo University, Egypt.
- Diploma in Radiology, Ain Shams University, Egypt.

### **Dr. Jan Lindberg**

- Swedish Board Certified in Diagnostic Radiology.
- Fellow of the Swedish College of Radiologists and Member of the Swedish Society of Thoracic Radiology.
- 30 years of experience in all modalities of medical imaging including Multislice CT, MRI/MRA, Mammography, Ultrasound and a wide variety of interventional techniques, biopsy methods and conventional x-ray imaging.
- Special interest in Breast and Chest imaging including CT Coronary Angiography.

### **Dr. Amer Rehman**

- MRCP (UK) in Pediatrics.
- Fellow of Royal College of Radiologists.
- Special interest in Musculoskeletal and Chest Radiology.
- Expertise in sports injuries with professional athletes.

## **Rheumatology (Arthritis)**

**04-3776893**

### **Dr. Bhavna Khan**

- Member of Royal College of Physicians (London).
- Completed her CCST in Rheumatology.

**Dr. Emad Kowatli**

- American Board Certified in Pulmonary Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Critical Care Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Sleep Disorders.
- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Fellowship in Critical Care at the Chicago Medical School - USA.

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## Speech Therapy

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### Nadine Ewanchyshyn

- Bachelor of Teaching in Early Childhood Education.
- Master of Science in Communication Disorders.
- Certificate from American Speech Language Hearing Association and the Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists.
- Worked in Canada, Bermuda and Dubai.

### Lee Bolton

- Member of the Royal College of Speech & Language Therapists (UK).
- Masters in Speech Therapy at Sheffield University in 2006.
- Advanced specialist training in the evaluation, treatment and management of oropharyngeal swallowing disorders (dysphagia), including Modified Barium Swallow (videofluoroscopy) & Fibreoptic Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallow (FEES).

## Thyroid Clinic

04-3776876

### Dr. Mohamed Belal Alshammaa

- American Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- American Board Certified in Endocrinology & Diabetes.
- Fellow of the American College of Endocrinology.
- Member of The Endocrine Society, American Diabetes Association and American College of Physicians.

### **Dr. Paul Sayad**

- American Board Certified in General Surgery
- Fellow of the American College of Surgeons
- Fellowship training in Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery including operations for gastro-esophageal reflux disease, morbid obesity, inguinal and ventral hernias, malignant and benign disease of the colon, adrenal disease and hematologic disease requiring splenectomy.
- Special interests include breast, thyroid and hemorrhoid surgery

### **Dr. Muaaz Tarabichi**

- American Board Certified.
- Served as the Chairman of the Department of Surgery in St. Catherine Hospital, Wisconsin, USA.
- Honoured for excellence in research by the American Academy of Otolaryngology.
- Serves on the Editorial Board of the Laryngoscope.

### **Dr. Hubert Penninckx**

- Belgian Board Certified in Internal Medicine.
- Belgian Board Certified in Endocrinology and Diabetes.
- Member of European Association for Study of Diabetes
- Previous Head of Department Endocrinology in Belgium for more than 15 years.

## Urology

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### Dr. Manaf Kandakji

- German Board Certified (FACHARZT) in Urology.
- Consultant Urologist at Klinikum Barnium GmbH Eberswalde, Germany.
- Completed his basic medical training in Damascus.

### Dr. Peter Stroberg

- Swedish Board Certified in Urology (1989).
- Medical training in 1978 from Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden.

## Weight Loss

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### Mariam Saleh

- Registered with the Health Professions Council, UK.
- Over 10 years of practice at the American University of Beirut Medical Centre, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Member of the British Dietetic Association.

### May El Moghrabi

- BSc. in Nutrition and Dietetics from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon.
- Member of the American Dietetic Association

### Dalia Shukri

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Nutrition and Dietetics from the American University of Beirut.
- Trained at in the St. George Hospital in Lebanon.
- Performed research field work in the field of Dietetics within Lebanon corresponding with the AUB.