



NEW RADIOLOGY CENTRE OPENS IN QURM

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A new imaging and diagnostic centre, equipped with technologically advanced machines, opened at the Al Wadi Commercial Complex in Qurm last week. The Aafiyaa Imaging & Diagnostic Centre was inaugurated by H H Sayyida Tania bint Shabib al Said.

Dr Hiral Jerajani Kamath, founder, said that the centre is the first of its kind in the country – it is independent, specialised and dedicated to the provision of comprehensive imaging facilities. The centre is equipped with a state-of-the-art ultrasonography machine with colour doppler and four-dimensional facility.

Besides routine abdominal and pregnancy-related scans, this ultrasonography machine also scans uterus and ovaries for fibroids and cysts and other gynaecological examination. The machine is also used for breast and thyroid scans.

Four-dimensional ultrasonography scans show a baby in motion in the mother's womb, while the colour doppler can be used to examine arteries and veins in different parts of the body, including the carotid and renal arteries. This machine is useful in the examination of deep vein thrombosis and varicose veins.

It also records images on a CD for future reference. According to Dr Hiral, Aafiyaa will be rated an A grade radiology and imaging centre. "But our real expertise lies in our professionalism and capability to detect and report various kinds of medical complexities. Aafiyaa is a new concept in Oman; usually

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imaging services are a part of a hospital or polyclinic, or a bigger group of medical services. The centre has already received an enthusiastic response from doctors in Oman who are excited about our offering. We plan to set up a series of such standalone diagnostic and imaging centres in the sultanate.â€

Dr Hiral has over 15 years of experience in radiology. A gold medallist from the University of Mumbai and trained in MRI and colour doppler in London, she has been practising in Oman for the last 13 years.

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