

The Recent Decade (2011 – 2021) in AMH's Long Legacy

The American Mission Hospital, as a not-for-profit organization, has been consistently serving the community of Bahrain since 1903, and has been growing from strength to strength.

For nearly 120 years, the hospital was ably adapting to, and embracing the dynamism of the political, economic, social, cultural, technological and legal changes in both, the local as well as the global environments.

The last decade, 2011 to 2021, in particular, has seen many major changes in the American Mission Hospital's long history. Changes that were hitherto only on the drawing board have now come to fruition; No longer just a hope or an aspiration, but a fulfillment and an accomplishment.

When Dr George Cheriyan took over in 2009, as the hospital's CEO and Chief Medical Officer, the hospital was only operating from Manama main branch and from a small clinic at Saar. But, the new and expanded leadership also saw an expansion in its vision and in its work.

In 2014, AMH's satellite clinic at Amwaj Islands opened. With much of the Bahrain's population moving into this somewhat upscale township of Amwaj Islands, the need for a new satellite clinic there seemed not only logical but in fact imperative.

In 2016, a new large purpose-renovated – though not purpose-built - facility was opened in Saar. AMH's Saar clinic moved from the small rented villa into this large double-storeyed complex. It now offers many 24x7 services and is among the busiest private medical centres in the country.

In 2018, the *Riffa Medical and Dental Centre* opened. And, in the same year, the *Zwemer Clinic* was also opened in Manama, to provide high-quality medical care for the low-income group with financial needs.

In 2019, a Staff Accommodation complex was built on Zubara Avenue, in Gudaibiya, with 64 flats. And it currently houses over 135 residents.

Work is underway, in A'Ali, on the *King Hamad American Mission Hospital* which will open in October 2022. This \$70 million, 110 bed, 775,000-square-foot hospital will be an ecofriendly, solar-run hospital. With its tie up with RCSI, the hospital will also be a teaching hospital, as well.

Apart from the buildings, AMH has been steadily investing in upgrading its medical and surgical infrastructure, bio-medical systems, pharmacy, distribution systems, transportation, ambulatory care systems and many others.

But among others, perhaps, the greatest investment it makes is into Human Resources; by attracting and retaining the right people.