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PANTAI PREMIER PATHOLOGY BECOMES MORE INTERNATIONALLY ACCESSIBLE WITH ACCREDITATION FROM COLLEGE OF AMERICAN PATHOLOGISTS

**The accreditation puts Pantai Premier Pathology on the map as one of
only two laboratories in the country to earn this international ‘gold
standard’ recognition**

Kuala Lumpur, 7 June – IHH Healthcare Malaysia’s laboratory arm, Pantai Premier Pathology, is one of only two laboratories in Malaysia to receive an accreditation from the College of American Pathologists (CAP).

The honour goes to its Cytogenetics and Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory that specialises in Molecular Oncology, Cytogenetics and Molecular Infectious Disease.

CAP, through its expert teams of multi-disciplinary laboratory professionals, conducted a detailed and customised evaluation which attests that test results and patient diagnoses from Pantai Premier Pathology are highly accurate.

With this accreditation, Pantai Premier Pathology will be able to receive samples from Singapore, Brunei, the Philippines, Taiwan, Indonesia and Vietnam for processing, testing and analysis. These countries, among others, require a laboratory to be accredited by CAP for highest quality assurance prior to any collaborations.

In addition, more local and international pharmaceutical companies will be open to using the services from Pantai Premier Pathology for their clinical trial testing as CAP accreditation is part of the requirements for certain clinical trials.

Jean-François Naa, Chief Executive Officer of IHH Healthcare Malaysia, said, “The accreditation from CAP puts Pantai Premier Pathology on par with some of the world’s best laboratories. The laboratory has state-of-the-art technology such as an OncoBEAM liquid biopsy system which improves the diagnosis of oncology patients to provide accurate therapy and better clinical outcomes, and the capability to customise molecular testing for personalised cancer treatment.”

Pantai Premier Pathology is the only laboratory services provider in Malaysia with four accreditations, including from Joint Commission International, ISO 15189 and the Malaysian Society for Quality in Health. Established in 2016, the laboratory offers diagnostic tests for Pre-Natal, Post-Natal, Haemato-Oncology, Solid Tumour and Infectious Diseases, including COVID-19 testing.

Currently, Pantai Premier Pathology collaborates extensively with pharmaceutical companies in Malaysia and abroad such as Merck, Pfizer, AstraZeneca, Merck Sharp Dohme, Novartis, Roche, Amgen and Johnson & Johnson to conduct clinical trial testing and molecular diagnostic services for cancer patients.

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About Pantai Premier Pathology (PPP)

Pantai Premier Pathology Sdn. Bhd. provides a comprehensive range of quality diagnostics and analytical laboratory testing services to referring medical practitioners including both general practitioners and specialist doctors from medical clinics and medical centres, to large tertiary hospitals in Malaysia.

Pantai Premier Pathology has established and effectively maintained a Quality Management System based upon the requirement of ISO 9001:2000. The company has continued its commitment in providing a high standard Total Quality Healthcare delivery to its clients. Over the years, Pantai Premier Pathology has also successfully been accredited with ISO 15189, MSQH and JCI alongside and in tandem with IHH Healthcare Malaysia's group of hospitals nationwide. PPP applies a strict quality control in its operations and participates extensively in local and overseas External Assurance Schemes. This is to ensure that the high-quality standards expected by both management and clients are fully attained and maintained.

Pantai Premier Pathology is part of IHH Healthcare, one of the world's largest healthcare providers. With its full spectrum of integrated services, dedicated people, reach and scale, and commitment to quality and safety, IHH aspires to be the world's most trusted healthcare services network, united by a single purpose: to touch lives and transform care.

More information on Pantai Premier Pathology can be found at www.premierpathology.com.my