

Medical group holds first forum in Abu Dhabi

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Abu Dhabi: The First Paediatric Gastroenterology Gulf Group (PGGG) organised its first forum at the Abu Dhabi Hilton Hotel on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Paediatric Gastroenterology Gulf Group is a newly formed group led by Dr Suhail M. Shabib, Paediatric Gastroenterologist, Transplant Hepatologist and Clinical Nutritionist Head at Shaikh Khalifa Medical City (SKMC), Abu Dhabi.

The 38 paediatric gastroenterologists, hepatologists and clinical nutritionists who are practising in the six Gulf Cooperation Council Countries were invited to discuss the establishment of the Paediatric Gastroenterology Society.

The aim of the PGGG Forum is to develop a strong paediatric gastroenterology group to raise the level of clinical care and awareness, to exchange experience in patient care, to guide community physicians to a better understanding of gut, liver and nutrition illnesses, to enhance and to collaborate on research in order to identify the impact of gut, liver and nutritional disorders in the region and to develop a regional (GCC) registry.

"I am pleased that the leadership of Shaikh Khalifa Medical City managed by Cleveland Clinic welcomes the idea, as it is a step forward in enhancing medical care in the GCC region," Dr Shabib said.

"The SKMC administration supports the formation and objectives of the Paediatric Gastroenterology Gulf Group, and eventual incorporation as a society, with Abu Dhabi being the home base of the society," he added.

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