

Jurong Healthcare Hub for GPs

The Jurong Medical Centre (JMC) is a one-stop healthcare hub to complement GP services to residents in the western sector of Singapore. From October 2006, GPs can take advantage of the integrated and multidisciplinary support services at JMC to meet their patients' needs. No subsidised services will be offered to walk-in patients at this centre.

New Model of Care for Chronic Diseases

JMC is a new model of care delivery in collaboration with GPs. The use of allied health professionals will be maximised to deliver cost-effective care to patients with chronic diseases through care management packages. The benefits to GPs are:

- augment GP services for a wide range of patients' conditions
- enjoy high-quality service that is competitively priced to other ancillary service providers
- enjoy administrative support on patient care coordination and Medisave claims
- enable GP patients to make use of Medisave, hence lower their out-of-pocket expenses and increase affordability for chronic care services

- offer GP patients with integrated services under one roof at affordable cost

Care Management Packages

These packages provide health education and care coordination with GPs to better manage patients' chronic conditions. Patients with conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, heart failure, lipid disorder, asthma and stroke will also benefit from the added services which include:

- counselling and education
- diabetic retinal photography
- tonometry
- teaching on insulin injection
- teaching on inhaler technique
- dressing

"We hope this new model of care will lead to fruitful exchanges between GPs and specialists, thus improving the level of care for patients," says A/Prof Sum Chee Fang, Senior Consultant, Alexandra Hospital and NHG Diabetes Workgroup.

3-Level Hybrid Centre

JMC is a three-storey building located at Jurong West Central 3, opposite Boon Lay MRT station and bus interchange.

First level of JMC is a **one-stop healthcare information centre** managed by Jurong HealthConnect (JHC). It will have ancillary services like diagnostic, radiology, laboratory, podiatry and pharmacy services. Besides **healthcare retail shops**, there also will be a **mock-up studio** with modified living conditions catering for post-stroke patients and their caregivers.

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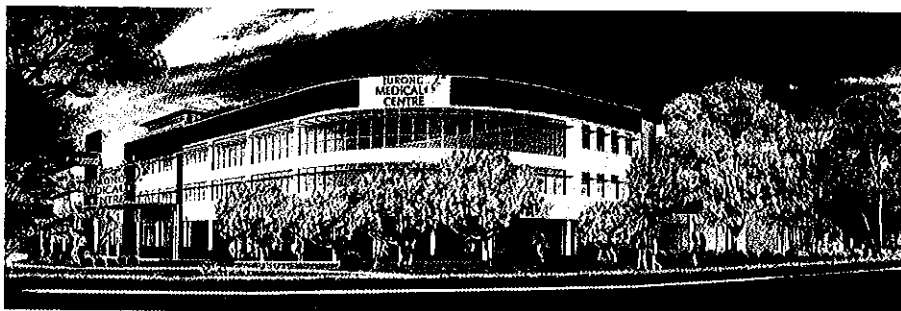
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Artist's impression of Jurong Medical Centre