

Press Note

## **American Consul General Mr. Cornelis M Keur inaugurates Apollo's Center for Bariatric Surgery!**



**Hyderabad, September 13, 2009:** Apollo Hospitals Group announced the launch of 'Center for Bariatric Surgery', here today. This Center of Excellence located at Apollo Health City, Jubilee Hills was formally inaugurated by **Mr. Cornelis M Keur**, Consul General, Consulate General of the United States of America in the presence of **Ms Sangita Reddy**, Executive Director, Apollo Hospitals Group;

**Dr Hariprasad**, CEO, Apollo Health City; **Dr Nandakishore Dukkipati**, Director & chief consultant, Bariatric Surgery and prominent doctors from the city at a function organized at Hotel Taj Krishna, today. Bariatrics is the field of medicine that specializes in treating obesity or overweight.

This one of its kind Center for Bariatric Surgery with facilities to match the best in Asia-Pacific region will provide comprehensive care for problem associated with overweight. The Center has highly trained Bariatric specialists including Physicians, Anesthesiologists, Intensive care specialists, Psychiatrists, Endocrinologists, Cardiologists, Physiotherapists and Dieticians with enormous international exposure. It offers complete range of currently accepted procedures to promote weight loss including Intra-gastric Balloon, Gastric Band, Gastric sleeve, Gastric Bypass etc.

Obesity is rapidly reaching endemic proportions in India and could be a major health concern in the near future. It being the underlying cause for several complex ailments like Type II Diabetes, Hypertension, Hyper-cholesterolemia and other metabolic diseases magnifies the risks involved. Clearly, obesity has an enormous economic and physical price and needs to be combated with utmost priority, says Ms Sangita Reddy.

The Center for Bariatric Surgery at Apollo Health City will offer safer and effective procedures to treat obesity. We will adopt scientific procedures and International standard protocols to treat obesity. The multi specialty care available at the hospital can ensure simultaneous treatment for other ailments associated with obesity, adds Dr Hariprasad.

Since the center offers comprehensive range of treatments, the Patient will have tailored treatment to suit his specific needs, points out Dr Nandakishore Dukkupati. This center has already produced excellent results on par with the best centers in the world, he added.

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