

BUILDING ON THE PAST FOR A BRILLIANT MEDICAL FUTURE



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WE WILL CONTINUE TO BUILD ON OUR 60 YEARS OF HERITAGE, AND NOT LOSE SIGHT OF WHY WE STARTED. WITH GENERATIONS OF WMU STUDENTS AND FACULTY STRIVING FOR PROGRESS, WE WILL MAKE A MORE GLORIOUS FUTURE.



The Second Affiliated Hospital of Wenzhou Medical University (WMU) is leading a digital revolution for patient access. It is among China's first to pilot the 'cloud hospital' platform, which lets patients make appointments, renew prescriptions, apply for admission, among other services, all from home. Its uptake of mobile and paperless healthcare has seen it collect the highest daily settlement amount of RMB 2.1 million (\$305,659) on Alipay, China's popular online payment platform, which tops Chinese hospitals and is indicative of patient preference of such streamlined processes.

'Integrity, Dedication, Specialty, and Innovation' is the motto underlying the development of the Second Affiliated Hospital of WMU, which also houses the Yuying Children's Hospital. As a Class A tertiary hospital in Zhejiang Province, it aims to become a leading research hospital in the nation, and a regional medical centre that integrates medical treatment with teaching and research.

Founded in 1976, the hospital has roots in the Bethune Clinic of Wenzhou Medical College (WMC) and became the Second Affiliated Hospital of WMC in 1982. With donations from He Chaoyu, a Wenzhou-born Taiwanese businessman, a new wing was built in 1991, and the children's hospital was renamed the Affiliated Yuying Children's Hospital of WMC. Having merged with the Wenzhou Cardiovascular Hospital in 2005, and set up an orthopaedic hospital and a gynaecology and obstetrics hospital in 2009, the Second Affiliated Hospital of WMU now has six campuses across Wenzhou, four of which are still under construction.

With a focus on patients, the hospital promotes a multi-disciplinary mode of diagnosis and treatment, which encourages integration and specialization. It has developed strengths in anaesthesia, perinatal medicine, paediatric respiratory diseases, environmental medicine, paediatric surgery, orthopaedics, geriatrics, neurological disorders, and rehabilitation

medicine, with a national key clinical speciality and several provincial key disciplines.

Its diagnosis and treatment centres cover everything from digestive diseases to cerebrovascular intervention. Its centres dealing with weight-loss, metabolic disorders, and acid reflux have filled the medical gap in southern Zhejiang.

Housing two provincial key laboratories, five municipal key laboratories and 18 research institutes, the hospital is committed to scientific research. It has recruited three Chinese Academy of Sciences members to lead clinical translational research and promote its research capacities. Work by the hospital's researchers has won a second prize at the National Science and Technology Progress Awards.

The hospital adopts a comprehensive and multi-layer education system that offers programmes to bachelor's, master's, doctoral and postdoctoral students, as well as post-graduation education and training programmes to international students. Having developed its unique residency training model, it is now the national base for standardized residents training.

With more than 4,000 staff, the hospital covers 14 disciplines, housing 89 clinical departments and more than 130 specialist outpatient clinics. It has 2,667 beds in use, offering comprehensive medical services to people in the region.

As a public hospital, the Second Affiliated Hospital of WMU is committed to social welfare. It has contributed to many charitable activities, including care of premature babies or newborns with critical illnesses, treating children with severe diseases and providing joint replacement surgeries. The 'Thumb Project', launched in 2016, has provided free treatment to children with hand deformities, living in poverty in Xi'an, Urumchi, and Zhengzhou. It has also joined the Smile Alliance Project, which performs surgery on children born with cleft lips or palates. The hospital has also organized volunteer service activities, including a programme in which people can donate hematopoietic stem cells. ■