

**BP Healthcare to Invest RM50 Million In Two Specialist Centres in Johor, Penang**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 4 (Bernama) -- Malaysia's largest healthcare network, BP Healthcare Group, will invest RM50 million in two new specialist centres, with plans to open one of them as a hospital, the first ever to be owned by the group.

The pioneer BP Hospital is in Skudai, near Johor Baharu, where the group has already started to renovate a 50,000 sq ft facility acquired last year to create capacity for 40 to 60 beds.

BP Healthcare Group Managing Director Datuk Chevy Beh said the company would continue to grow by targeting more acquisitions to expand its business.

"We will continue to expand our presence into new neighbourhoods throughout the country to provide healthcare services that matter and to leverage on technology to step up our delivery system," he said in a statement today.

BP Healthcare made its first acquisition by taking over the Sime Darby Specialist Centre Megah in Petaling Jaya and renamed it as BP Specialist Centre Megah.

Two more specialist centres will be added in Skudai and another at its existing branch in Menara Penang Garden on Penang island, bringing the total to seven specialist centres under the group.

A significant part of the growth is driven by BP Healthcare's collaboration, with over 4,000 private clinics in a wide range of services such as referrals, clinical testing, IT solutions, medical equipment and pharmaceutical supplies.

The group also launched the first mobile X-Ray service in the country in January to enhance its mobile health screening programme.

At the end of last year, the group has over 70 laboratories, 50 diagnostic centres, 50 pharmacies and dispensaries, 50 hearing aid centres, 50 food and industrial testing centres, five daycare specialist centres, three dental specialist clinics and one eye clinic.

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