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KUCHING: Last Friday, 36 primary and secondary students were presented with back to school supplies, courtesy of MAA Medicare Charitable Foundation (Medicare).

According to Medicare Chief Executive Officer, Dato' Aliyah Karen, each year, all dialysis centres will organise various activities for school going children of the patients through this programme.

"At the end of the school year, we provide them with school bags and essentials such as school shoes and socks, books, schoolbags and stationery to help ease the burdens of our patients who find it difficult to cope with additional expenses," said Aliyah after presenting school-

bags to the patients' children at CHKMUS - MAA Medicare Charity Dialysis Centre here yesterday

She added due to the increase in the number of patients, the Kuching centre recently opened a new wing.

Aliyah said that the centre now operated four shifts every alternate day in caring for the large number of patients.

Currently, CHKMUS - MAA Medicare Charity Dialysis Centre has a total of 170 patients.

On another matter, Aliyah also said that due to the commitment and dedication of the foundation, CHKMUS - MAA Medicare Charity Dialysis Centre had received four international awards this year.

The awards are Gold Award for Best Practices 2016 under the European Society of Quality Research (ESQR), Diamond Eye Award for its Quality, Commitment and Excellence (Otherways' Organisation), World Business Leader Diploma award and trophy for being an Inspirational Company (The BIZZ 2016), and The Majestic Falcon Award for Quality and Excellence 2016 (Otherways' Organisation).

The annual Kids@Medicare programme, launched in 2009 to assist patients' children in their preparations for school each year, is part of the two key projects of the foundation. The other project is the Patients' Welfare Fund (PWF).



MEDICARE Chief Executive Officer, Dato' Aliyah Karen (second row, fourth right) poses with some of the patients' children after presenting schoolbags to them at CHKMUS - MAA Medicare Charity Dialysis Centre.

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MEDICARE Chief Executive Officer, Dato' Aliyah Karen (right) presents a school bag and RM50.00 shoe voucher to student, Mohd Fikri Heri.