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1,449 postgraduate degrees awarded at 4th Convocation

Punjab Health Minister confers degrees, 28 graduates receive gold medals

July 21: Punjab Minister for Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education and Pro-Chancellor of the University of Health Sciences (UHS), Khawaja Salman Rafique conferred degrees upon 1,449 postgraduate graduates who completed their degree programmes between 2022 and 2026 at the fourth convocation of the varsity.

The ceremony commenced with the conferment of postgraduate degrees, followed by the administration of the professional oath to the graduates by the university's senior-most professor, Prof. Nadia Naseem. Twenty-eight graduates with outstanding academic performance in different disciplines were awarded gold medals.

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Prof Dr Nadia Naseem assumes charge as UHS Vice Chancellor

July 27: Prof Dr Nadia Naseem has assumed the additional charge of Vice Chancellor of the University of Health Sciences (UHS), Lahore, following a notification issued by the Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education (SHC&ME) Department, Government of Punjab, on July 21, 2026.

A distinguished academic, researcher and medical educationist, Prof Nadia Naseem is Professor and Head of the Department of Morbid Anatomy and Histopathology at UHS. She had been serving as Pro Vice Chancellor since July 2023, where she supervised the University's academic and research portfolio, including undergraduate and postgraduate studies, the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), the Institute of Quality Assurance and Enhancement (IQAE), Student Affairs and Admissions, International Linkages and the University's official biomedical journal, BioMedica.

Prof Nadia has been associated with UHS for more than two decades and has played a central role in its academic and administrative development. During this period, she has held several key positions, including Controller of Examinations and Registrar, gaining extensive experience in university governance, academic administration, examination reforms, policy implementation, institutional planning and quality assurance. She has also contributed to curriculum development, faculty development initiatives, postgraduate education and strengthening research governance across the University.

A graduate of Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore, Prof Nadia earned her MPhil and PhD in Histopathology from UHS. An accomplished scientist, Prof Nadia has authored more than 120 research papers published in national and international peer-reviewed journals. Her research



focuses primarily on histopathology, cancer pathology, immunohistochemistry, molecular

pathology, cytopathology and diagnostic pathology, with particular interest in prognostic biomarkers in breast, colorectal and lung cancers, neuroendocrine differentiation in malignancies, and translational cancer research. Her work has contributed to improving disease diagnosis and understanding the clinicopathological behaviour of various cancers through advanced tissue-based and immunohistochemical techniques.

Over the course of her academic career, she has secured several competitive national and international research grants, fellowships and travel scholarships. She has received recognition from organizations including the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) and the European Cancer Organisation for her research presentations, while also earning awards for her work in breast cancer pathology and cancer diagnostics.

Prof Nadia Naseem assumes the additional charge of Vice Chancellor following the completion of the four-year tenure of Prof Dr Ahsan Waheed Rathore.

Call for One Health approach in MBBS curriculum

July 2: The Department of Public Health at the University of Health Sciences (UHS) organized a Discipline-Specific Faculty Council (DSFC) workshop at the Jinnah Campus, urging the integration of the One Health approach into the MBBS Community Medicine curriculum to better prepare future doctors for emerging public health challenges.

Held under the theme, "Inculcating One Health Approach in MBBS Community Medicine Curriculum: Opportunities and Challenges for Training and Practice," the workshop brought

Dr. Sana Iftikhar, Associate Professor of Community Medicine at Allama Iqbal Medical College, traced the global evolution of the One Health framework and highlighted its relevance to Pakistan through examples including the COVID-19 pandemic and recurring dengue outbreaks.

Prof. Dr. Rozina Shahadat Khan presented practical strategies for embedding the One Health concept into the MBBS curriculum, stressing the importance of early student exposure, interdisciplinary learning, and collaborative problem-solving.

The workshop concluded with an interactive discussion involving senior faculty members



together faculty members from UHS and affiliated medical colleges for an in-depth discussion on curriculum reforms.

Prof. Dr. Shahid Mehmood, Head of the Department of Public Health, opened the session by introducing the One Health concept and underscoring its growing importance in tackling complex health threats that link human, animal, and environmental health.

from UHS and affiliated medical colleges, both onsite and online. Participants unanimously recommended policy-level integration of the One Health approach into medical education and called for stronger collaboration among medical professionals, veterinarians, entomologists, and environmental scientists to effectively address emerging public health challenges through a multidisciplinary framework.

UHS Summer School concludes, VC distributes certificates

July 10: The University of Health Sciences (UHS), Vice Chancellor, Prof Dr Ahsan Waheed Rathore called upon the students to embrace innovation, critical thinking and compassion as the defining qualities of future health leaders while addressing the closing and certificate distribution ceremony of UHS Medi-Sum Summer School 2026.

The ceremony was attended by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Nadia Naseem, Registrar Kiran Fatima, Director Undergraduate Studies Prof Dr Uzma Zargham, heads of academic departments and faculty members.

A highlight of the ceremony was an interactive feedback session in which Prof Rathore invited participants to candidly share their experiences of the 12-day summer school. Students described Medi-Sum 2026 as a unique learning experience that broadened their academic horizons, strengthened practical skills and provided valuable opportunities to interact with distinguished faculty members and peers from diverse institutions. Many participants appreciated the hands-on workshops, simulation-based training, departmental activities and mentorship that helped them



better understand various medical specialties. Listening attentively to every participant, Prof Rathore appreciated their suggestions and assured them that their feedback would help further improve future editions of the programme.

Addressing the gathering, the Vice Chancellor urged students to develop scientific thinking, uphold the highest ethical standards and pursue excellence in education, research and patient care. Referring to the theme of this year's summer school, he said the remarkable achievements of Muslim scholars should inspire today's youth to contribute original ideas and meaningful research for the advancement of healthcare.

Later, Prof Rathore, accompanied by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Nadia Naseem and heads of academic departments, distributed certificates among the participants in recognition of their successful completion of the summer school. The ceremony concluded with a group photograph.





UHS bids farewell to Prof Ahsan Waheed Rathore

July 24: It was a busy final day in office for Prof. Dr. Ahsan Waheed Rathore. After four years at the helm of the University of Health Sciences (UHS), he spent the last hours of his tenure much like the years before them, attending meetings, dealing with official matters and moving from one engagement to another. His final official act, however, carried a special meaning: the inauguration of the newly renovated Shams Tabrizi Auditorium, where the UHS faculty and staff were waiting to bid him farewell. As the day drew to a close, so did Prof. Rathore's four-year tenure as Vice Chancellor, bringing

together colleagues who had worked alongside him through four eventful years of academic reforms, new initiatives and institutional development.

UHS Acting Vice Chancellor Prof. Nadia Naseem, Registrar Kiran Fatima, senior faculty members, heads of departments, officers and staff attended the farewell ceremony. Speaking on the occasion, Registrar Kiran Fatima paid a glowing tribute to the outgoing Vice Chancellor, recalling his commitment to the university and the changes brought about during his tenure. She said Prof. Rathore was leaving behind more than completed projects and new initiatives. His real legacy, she said, lay in the systems he strengthened, the academic

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UHS welcomes new postgraduate scholars

July 29: The University of Health Sciences (UHS) held the Orientation Day for newly admitted PhD, MPhil and Master's degree students under the chairmanship of Vice Chancellor Prof Nadia Naseem.

Director Postgraduate Studies Prof Asif Naveed welcomed the new students, while heads and representatives of various academic departments introduced their departments, faculty expertise and research areas.

Addressing the gathering, Prof Nadia Naseem encouraged students to make the most of the guidance and mentorship of their teachers. She said UHS offers clinically oriented and research based postgraduate programmes that prepare scholars to address real world healthcare challenges. She highlighted that UHS has the country's largest pool of PhD-qualified medical faculty and assured students that the University would provide every possible academic support to help them complete their degrees within the minimum permissible time.

The orientation concluded with interactive departmental sessions, where students met their faculty members, discussed their research interests and planned their academic journey ahead.

Learning beyond the classroom!

July 29: The Department of Medical Journalism commenced the Second Contact Session of the Certificate in Medical Journalism for Editors (CMJE), being held from 29 July to 1 August 2026. Facilitated by Prof. Jamshed Akhter, Editor of the Journal of Surgery, the Journal Office Exposure session virtually connected participants with the editorial team of the Journal of the College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (JCPSP), Karachi. Prof. Shahid Pervaiz, Ms. Shabana Seeme, Dr. Saba Sohail and Prof. Saeeda Baig demonstrated manuscript processing, peer review, editorial decision-making and communication with authors and reviewers. The programme also featured reflections on the first contact session, evaluation of JCPSP, reflective writing, a role-play titled A Day in the Office of a Medical Journal, and an interactive Q&A, mentored by Prof. Nadia Naseem and Dr. Lamia Yusuf.



UHS introduces tougher PhD standards, launches four new doctoral curricula

July 2: To strengthen research quality and postgraduate education, the University of Health Sciences (UHS) has introduced stricter requirements for PhD scholars by making participation in at least three national and one international conference or seminar compulsory before the award of a doctoral degree. The university also approved four new competency-based PhD curricula and conferred a PhD degree in Forensic Sciences during the 227th meeting of the Advanced Studies and Research Board (ASRB), chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Ahsan Waheed Rathore.

The Board approved the award of a PhD degree in Forensic Sciences to Dr. Muhammad Faheem Ashraf for his research titled, "Designing of nanoparticle-based sensing device for the real time detection of lidocaine and its metabolites with implication in forensic investigations." The scholar had also published his research in an HEC "W" category journal as the first author.

The ASRB also approved new curricula for PhD in Medical Education, PhD in Nursing, PhD in Oral Biology, PhD in Public Health, a revised Master of Health Professions Education (MHPE) programme, and the Certificate in Comprehensive Family Medicine Practice and Emergency Care (CCFP-EC).

The newly approved PhD Nursing curriculum, developed under the NURTURE Framework, emphasizes clinical leadership, research innovation, teaching excellence, health policy, and professional ethics. It includes 500 hours of clinical residency, 200 hours of teaching residency, competency-based training, and mandatory life-saving skills workshops. The PhD Public Health programme focuses on disease prevention, health promotion, health systems strengthening, implementation science, community-based research, and artificial intelligence in public health.

The PhD Oral Biology curriculum covers advanced areas including craniofacial developmental biology, regenerative dentistry, stem cells, biomaterials, dental forensic sciences, oral microbiology, and oral immunology.

The six-month CCFP-EC programme is designed to strengthen the clinical skills of general practitioners through blended learning, hands-on clinical attachments, emergency care training, and six mandatory life-saving skills workshops in line with WHO recommendations for primary healthcare.

The Board unanimously decided that every PhD scholar must henceforth participate in at least three national and one international conference or seminar in the relevant discipline before becoming eligible for the award of a PhD degree.



Muslim scholars' scientific legacy takes centre stage at UHS Medi-Sum 2026 closing session

July 10: The closing session of the University of Health Sciences (UHS) Medi-Sum Summer School 2026 celebrated the scientific legacy of Muslim scholars and their contributions to medicine and health sciences. The event at Mahmood Senate Hall was presided over by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Nadia Naseem, while Prof Dr Uruj Zehra, Head of the Department of Anatomy, welcomed participants and highlighted the objectives of the summer school.

In her keynote address, Prof Nadia Naseem urged students to reconnect with the rich intellectual heritage of Muslim scientists and draw inspiration from their spirit of inquiry, innovation and ethical values. She said the history of medicine should serve as a source of inspiration for future research and scientific advancement.

Students from various disciplines presented research-based projects on the pioneering work of renowned scholars including Mansoor Ibn Ilyas, Jabir ibn Hayyan, Al-Zahrawi, Ibn Sina, Al-Biruni, Al-Razi, Al-Jahiz, Abu al-Qasim al-Karkhi and Ibn Zuhr. Their presentations highlighted lasting contributions to anatomy, biochemistry, dentistry, microbiology, pharmacology, genetics, forensic medicine, public health and rehabilitation. Faculty members appreciated the presentations for their academic depth, creativity and relevance, and encouraged students to carry forward the tradition of research and innovation.













UHS, PHC ink MoU for family medicine certification

July 18: The University of Health Sciences (UHS) and the Punjab Healthcare Commission (PHC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to launch a six-month Certificate in Family Medicine (CFM) programme aimed at improving the clinical competencies of general practitioners and strengthening primary healthcare services across Punjab.

The MoU was signed by UHS Vice Chancellor Prof. Ahsan Waheed Rathore and PHC Chief Executive Officer Dr. Muhammad Saqib Aziz at UHS in the presence of Head of the Department of Family Medicine Prof. Dr. Uzma Jabeen and PHC Director Clinical Governance Dr. Mushtaq Ahmed.

The competency-based programme will combine evidence-based clinical practice with supervised training at UHS-affiliated teaching hospitals and accredited healthcare facilities. It will include interactive learning, case-based discussions, workplace-based assessments and clinical portfolio evaluation. Participants will also receive

internationally recognized emergency skills certifications, including Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Life Support (ALS), First Trauma Response (FTR), Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT), Neonatal Resuscitation Programme (NRP), and Emergency Obstetric Response and Maternal Life Support (EOR/MLS). Under the agreement, UHS will develop the curriculum, conduct academic and clinical training, manage admissions and examinations, and award certificates to successful participants. PHC will provide expertise in quality assurance, patient safety, clinical governance, infection prevention, implementation of the PHC Regulatory Framework, faculty development and Training of Trainers (ToT). Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Rathore said the programme would equip general practitioners with modern clinical skills and standardized practices, leading to better community health outcomes. Dr. Aziz said the collaboration reflected the shared commitment of both institutions to improving healthcare quality through continuous professional development and safer, more effective patient care.





UHS approves Pakistan's first MS Stroke Intervention program

July 8: The Academic Council of the University of Health Sciences (UHS) has approved Pakistan's first MS Stroke Intervention (Level-IV) degree programme, a milestone aimed at strengthening advanced stroke care and neuro-interventional services. The decision was taken during the Council's 43rd meeting chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof Ahsan Waheed Rathore.

The programme has been developed to train specialists in interventional neuroradiology and endovascular stroke management for the expanding network of Comprehensive Stroke Centres being established across Punjab under Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif's initiative. It will equip doctors with expertise in advanced catheter-based procedures for treating acute ischemic stroke and other cerebrovascular diseases.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof Rathore said the programme would ensure the availability of highly trained specialists to support modern stroke centres and improve access to evidence-based stroke care across the province.

The Council also approved the curriculum of the new MS Stroke Intervention programme, along with PhD programmes in Nursing, Public Health, Oral

Biology and Medical Education. It endorsed the revised semester-based curriculum of the Masters in Health Professions Education (MHPE) and approved the six-month Certificate in Comprehensive Family Medicine Practice and Emergency Care (CCFP-EC).

To strengthen research capacity, the Council approved five new PhD programmes in Nursing, Public Health, Pharmacy, Medical Laboratory Technology and Oral Biology, besides six research-focused certificate programmes. It also approved the Certificate in Quality Management for Clinical Laboratories and Blood Banking, updated curricula for six Level-II postgraduate diploma programmes, amendments to MS, MD and MDS regulations, and made participation in at least three national and one international conference mandatory for PhD scholars before award of the degree.





UHS completes capacity building training for nursing colleges

2,000 healthcare professionals trained in essential lifesaving skills over one year

July 16: The University of Health Sciences (UHS) has successfully completed the Mandatory Capacity Building Training Cycle for its 85 affiliated nursing colleges, marking the conclusion of a year-long initiative aimed at strengthening the clinical skills of healthcare professionals across Punjab.

The final workshop of the training cycle was held under the patronage of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Ahsan Waheed Rathore, who termed the completion of the programme a major milestone in improving the quality of healthcare education and patient safety.

Over the past year, UHS conducted extensive Provider and Instructor level training programmes for faculty members and

healthcare professionals from affiliated medical, dental and nursing colleges. A total of 1,845 healthcare professionals received training in six internationally recognized lifesaving clinical courses, including Cardiac First Response/Basic Life Support (CFR/BLS), Immediate Care of the Critically Ill/Advanced Life Support Course (ICC/ALSC), Immediate Care in Trauma/Advanced Life Support for Trauma (ICT/ALST), Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT), Essential Newborn Care/Neonatal Resuscitation (ENC/NR), and Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (EMONC).

The university completed 1,152 Provider and Instructor level trainings for medical and dental colleges and 693 trainings for affiliated nursing colleges during the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Rathore said UHS remains committed to equipping healthcare professionals with modern clinical competencies to improve emergency response, patient care and healthcare outcomes. He added that continuous professional development is essential for producing a skilled, confident and responsive healthcare workforce.

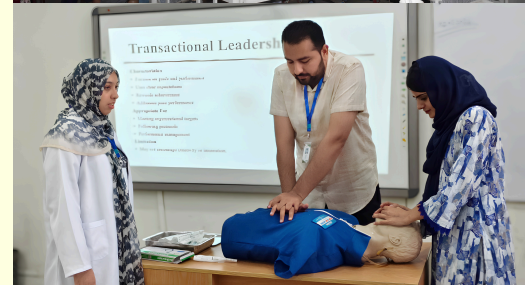




UHS Medi-SUM 2026

A Decade of Discovery in Ten Days

For the first five days, Medi-SUM 2026 transformed the University of Health Sciences into a vibrant hub of learning and innovation as nearly 100 students from 51 institutions immersed themselves in hands-on training across the City Campus and Jinnah Campus. From clinical skills and laboratory practice to research methodology, medical journalism, communication and leadership, every session challenged participants to think beyond textbooks. Guided by UHS's distinguished faculty, students explored new disciplines, exchanged ideas and experienced the collaborative spirit that defines modern healthcare education.



UHS Medi-SUM 2026

Shaping Tomorrow's Healthcare Leaders

The concluding five days reflected the true essence of experiential learning, with participants gaining deeper insights through specialty-based workshops, simulations, interactive discussions and faculty mentorship. The daily Scholars' Lounge sessions at the Prof. Ahsan Waheed Rathore Centre of Faculty Excellence fostered meaningful dialogue on research, careers and professional growth. By the end of the 10-day journey, Medi-SUM 2026 had become far more than a summer school. It had inspired curiosity, built confidence, nurtured lifelong friendships and empowered a new generation of future healthcare professionals ready to lead with knowledge, compassion and excellence.



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Postgraduate Medical Diplomas, 176 Doctor of Medicine (MD), 62 MS Nursing, 53 Master of Public Health (MPH), 40 Master in Health Professions Education (MHPE), 37 PhD and 16 Master of Dental Surgery (MDS) degrees were conferred during the convocation.

The gold medalists included Amna Ghaffar (MPhil Chemical Pathology), Summia Khan (MPhil Community Medicine), Muqaddas Khursheed (MPhil Forensic Science), Asif Haleem Khan (MPhil MLS Hematotechnology), Mahnoor Chaudhry (MPhil Microbiology), Azan Hassan (MPhil Pharmacology), Seher Naeem (MPhil Physiology), Iqra Batool (MPhil Science of Dental Materials), Attia Lateef (MPhil Immunology), Aqib Javaid (MPhil MLS Molecular Pathology & Cytogenetics), Ayesha Iqbal (MD Cardiology), Sudip Gopal Parajuli (MD Internal Medicine), Muhammad Ali (MD Nephrology), Jamal Ashraf (MD Paediatrics), Fatima Khalid (MS Anaesthesia), Ashiqullah Arman (MS Cardiac Surgery), Aroosa Rubab (MS General Surgery), Shujat (MS Neurosurgery), Akash Samuel (MS Nursing), Mahwish Naz (MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology), Hafiza Sadia Imtiaz (MS Ophthalmology), Ahmed Umair Asad Khan (MS Orthopaedics), Muhammad Kashif (MS Otorhinolaryngology), Muhammad Adeel Ashiq (MS Paediatric Surgery), Raheel Ahmed Khan (MS Plastic Surgery), Abdul Razaq (MS Urology), Neha Usman (MDS Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery), and Zoha Rahim (MD Gastroenterology).

Former Provincial Health Minister and former UHS Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Javed Akram, eminent gynaecologist Prof. Dr. Rashid Latif Khan, Chairperson of the UHS Board of Governors Prof. Dr. Farakhunda Wasim Afzal, former Director General Health Punjab Dr. Zahid Pervaiz, principals of leading public sector medical colleges, vice chancellors, and senior faculty members from medical, dental and nursing institutions attended the ceremony.

Addressing the convocation, Khawaja Salman

Rafique congratulated the graduates and gold medalists on their academic achievements and described the occasion as a celebration of their hard work, dedication and perseverance. He said UHS had established itself as a leading public sector health sciences university, providing academic leadership to more than 200 affiliated institutions and playing a key role in strengthening medical education, research, curriculum reforms, faculty development and assessment systems in Pakistan.

The minister highlighted the Punjab government's ongoing health sector reforms under the leadership of Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif, including programmes for paediatric cardiac surgery, kidney and liver transplantation, bone marrow transplantation, cochlear implants, corneal transplantation, cancer treatment, adult cardiac surgery, stroke management and free dialysis services across the province. He said new children's hospitals, cardiology institutes, burn units and medical colleges were also being established, while nursing education was being expanded to meet the growing healthcare needs of the province. He urged the graduates to uphold the highest standards of professional excellence, integrity, ethics and compassion throughout their careers, continue lifelong learning and always place patients' welfare above all else. He also appreciated the efforts of UHS Vice Chancellor Prof. Ahsan Waheed Rathore, faculty members, supervisors, examiners and the university administration for maintaining high standards in medical education and research.

Presenting the university's annual report, UHS Vice Chancellor Prof. Ahsan Waheed Rathore highlighted the university's progress in postgraduate education, research, curriculum reforms, digital transformation and quality assurance. He said UHS had strengthened competency-based education, modernised postgraduate training and expanded research to produce highly qualified specialists, researchers and teachers capable of meeting Pakistan's evolving healthcare needs.



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culture he helped shape and the people he encouraged to take ownership of the university. "His four-year term ends today, but his legacy at UHS will continue," she said.

On behalf of the faculty, Head of the Department of Microbiology Prof. Sidrah Saleem and Head of the Department of Haematology Prof. Asif Naveed paid tribute to Prof. Rathore. They spoke of his leadership, accessibility and confidence in his colleagues, and acknowledged his contribution towards strengthening academic standards and creating opportunities for faculty to contribute to the university's growth.

When it was his turn to speak, Prof. Rathore chose to place the credit for the achievements of the past four years on those who had worked with him. Thanking the faculty, officers and staff for standing by him throughout his tenure, the outgoing Vice Chancellor described the UHS community as his "family". He said that whatever the university had been able to accomplish during these four years was the result of teamwork, commitment and a shared belief in the institution.

He expressed his gratitude to everyone who had been part of his journey and wished the university,

its faculty and staff continued success in the years ahead.

Towards the end of the ceremony, representatives of various UHS departments presented gifts and souvenirs to Prof. Rathore as tokens of gratitude and affection.

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chapter in the university's history by extending its excellence in medical education and research directly to the public. Backed by six advanced departmental laboratories, the CLS offers 178 routine and specialized diagnostic tests in Clinical Chemistry and Immunology, Haematology, Microbiology, Histopathology, and Molecular Diagnostics & Genetics, including PCR-based diagnostics, genetic testing, flow cytometry, immunohistochemistry, tumour marker assays and hormone profiling.

Registered with the Punjab Healthcare Commission and certified under ISO 9001:2015, the laboratory features automated systems, digital reporting and an integrated Laboratory Information System, ensuring accurate, reliable and timely diagnostic services at regulator approved rates while strengthening research and specialist training.



UHS opens clinical laboratory for public, hospitals

Khawaja Salman inaugurates state of the art facility offering 178 diagnostic tests

July 14: The University of Health Sciences (UHS) inaugurated its Clinical Laboratory Services (CLS), a state of the art diagnostic facility established to serve the general public, hospitals and healthcare institutions across Punjab. Besides providing accurate, reliable and affordable diagnostic services, the laboratory will also support postgraduate education and research by providing quality clinical material for MD, MS, MPhil and PhD scholars.

Punjab Minister for Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education Khawaja Salman Rafique formally inaugurated

the facility in the presence of UHS Vice Chancellor Prof Ahsan Waheed Rathore, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Nadia Naseem, principals of affiliated medical colleges, senior faculty members and healthcare professionals.

Addressing the ceremony, the minister described the laboratory as a landmark achievement for Punjab's healthcare sector. He said the government was committed to providing quality and affordable healthcare, adding that the new facility would strengthen diagnostic services, improve patient care and promote medical education and research. He appreciated UHS for establishing an internationally benchmarked public sector diagnostic centre.

Prof Rathore said the launch marked a new

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