Seoul National University Hospital
“The Future of Medicine, With the People”
For more than a century, SNUH has continued to innovate and set a foundation to promote health. We asked the people what they expect from the nation’s central hospital and have planned what we should do for the next century. We will not remain self-satisfied doing treatment, education, and research. We will go beyond to create and put into practice future medical standards. SNUH will carve out a new path to be a quaternary hospital focusing on catastrophic illnesses, rare and intractable diseases, and public health care policies. As a global leader of future medicine and nation’s central hospital, SNUH will deliver on our future visions for education, research, patient care, public health, and healthcare policy.
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Striving to become the center of future medicine.
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Established in 1885, Jejungwon was built with the mission to “save people through benevolent medical practice (仁術濟衆: Insuljejung).” SNUH has stayed true to this mission making advancements in clinical practice and research, and strengthening international competitiveness, all the while spearheading standardization and innovation of medicine in Korea.

We plan to build on our past achievements to prepare ourselves for the whirlwind of future cutting-edge technology and reorient ourselves towards treating catastrophic illnesses, rare and intractable diseases, and promoting public healthcare policies.

Our world-class physicians and advanced patient-care system will enable SNUH to treat and research serious illnesses that may be untreatable at primary and secondary levels. Furthermore, we will strive to apply breakthrough technologies to practical use and disseminate effective hospital operation models and medical systems to the global healthcare market, while carving a path forward for the nation’s medical system. We will serve as the hub of future medicine.

SNUH will take on the role of pioneering the future of medicine through cooperation and collaboration.

Thank you.

Kim, Yon Su
President & CEO
Seoul National University Hospital
Better future with you

SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Every footstep of SNUH is the legacy of medicine of Korea

SNUH the legacy medicine of Korea

PAST AND PRESENT
Every footstep of SNUH is the legacy of medicine of Korea.
The History of medicine of Korea and Vision for Future Medicine

Over the years, Seoul National University Hospital has spearheaded advancements in medical practice, setting guidelines and providing quality care. The hospital has been instrumental in setting standards and guidelines, contributing to the medical field in Korea.

- **1885**: Insuljejung from Jejungwon
- **1907**: SNU Bundang Hospital established
- **1946**: SNUH Biomedical Research Institute established
- **1985**: SNUH Healthcare System established
- **2019**: SNUH Healthcare System established

**Mission**: Save people through benevolent medicine and scientific education.

**Vision for Future Medicine**

- To provide world-class services to patients
- To enhance the quality of life for patients
- To contribute to the development of medicine

**Innovations and Milestones**

- **1987**: First heart transplant in Korea
- **1998**: First split liver transplantation
- **2008**: First transcatheter pulmonary valve replacement
- **2013**: First cancer targeted therapy

**Strategic Partnerships**

- **1998**: Collaboration with medical institutions worldwide

**SNUH Clinical Research Institute**

- Development of advanced medical treatments
- Research focused on precision medicine

**History and Vision**

1985
1995
2005
2015
2025

**Forging a Healthier Future**

- SNUH Healthcare System
- SNU Bundang Hospital
- SNU Children’s Hospital
- SNU Boramae Medical Center
- SNU Cancer Hospital

**Innovations**

- First heart bypass surgery
- First lung transplant
- World’s first to develop a minimal invasive surgery for thyroid cancer
- Korea’s first development of a new drug for cerebral palsy
- World’s first to identify the main cause of Hodgkin’s lymphoma
- Korea’s first split liver transplantation
- Korea’s first artificial heart developed
- World’s first to discover the mechanisms of how long-term hematopoietic stem cells indefinitely survive in bone marrow
- Korea’s first keratoprosthesis launched
- Korea’s first Clinical Trials Center launched
- Korea’s first brain cell transplantation
- World’s first to develop a chest-worn patch-platform for obesity-regulation protein
- World’s first to discover the main receptor for type 2 diabetes

**Future Challenges**

- Digitalization of medical record systems
- Implementation of artificial intelligence
- Development of new treatments for intractable diseases

**Key Events**

- 1998: First heart transplant in Korea
- 2008: First transcatheter pulmonary valve replacement
- 2013: First cancer targeted therapy

**Strategic Directions**

- Enhance patient outcomes
- Innovate medical technologies
- Foster a culture of research and education

**Conclusion**

As Seoul National University Hospital continues to innovate and lead in the field of medicine, it remains committed to providing the highest quality care and advancing medical knowledge to improve health outcomes for patients worldwide.
Better future with you

Major Achievements

Obtained Healthcare Organization Accreditation from Korea’s Ministry of Health and Welfare, a first for a university hospital.

Selected as a ‘Golden Brand’ in a Korea Brand Power Index (K-BPI) survey conducted by Korea Management Association Consultants (KMAC).

Given the highest grade in offering service according to the standard guidelines in clinical care by Korea’s Health Insurance Review & Assessment Service.

Accreditation of Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Program (AAHRPP), internationally accredited hospital that protects rights and welfare of human subjects in clinical research.

Designated as a ‘Research-Centered Hospital’ by Korea’s Ministry of Health and Welfare.

Received ‘Medical Korea’ Award by the President of Korea.

Inpatient Beds

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Taking the lead in standardization and innovation of medicine in Korea.
MISSION AND VISION

Offering world-class education, research, and patient care to help everyone enjoy a healthier and happier life
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**MISSION**

SNUH shall offer world-class education, research, and patient care to help everyone enjoy a healthier and happier life

**VISION**

1. The most trusted hospital delivering best patient care
2. A hospital opening the future for life
3. A hospital training next-generation leader of medicine
4. A hospital aligned with government policy to promote advancement of health care

**Core Values**

- Best Care
- Excellence
- Partnership
- Contribution
- Innovation
The future of medicine will be determined by innovative leaders. SNUH trains talented individuals so that they are prepared to take on a fast-changing world and armed with the foresight to act preemptively and take the helm. We are committed to safeguarding public health by training genuine and outstanding medical specialists.

01 Global Leadership Training Program (SNUH MBA)

The administrative staff, nurses, and other employees trained at SNUH to become global leaders are changing the paradigm of the future of medicine.

02 SNUH Simulation Center for Medical Education

We incorporate virtual reality and other cutting-edge technologies in our education program, and apply them to whole operative processes (pre-/intra-/postoperative) in order to improve the actual surgical procedures. This has been proven to enhance the effectiveness of residency and fellowship training, which ultimately enhances patient safety.
A world-class research-based hospital with unparalleled research capacity

Equipped with an efficient and well-organized research system, SNUH develops state-of-the-art medical technologies. Our multidisciplinary platform that encompasses areas including basic science, biotechnology, precision medicine, IT, and AI is enriched with each passing day.

The innovative medical research platform: SNUH Center for Medical Innovation

Systematic and unified workflow among the staff at hospitals, schools, research institutes, and businesses lies at the heart of SNUH Center for Medical Innovation.

With the goal of "developing medical technology for patient care", more than 250 faculty members, 500 researchers and research support personnel are working together to drive innovation in medical technology through joint research that upholds the values of openness and integration.

Number of SCI articles by SNU College of Medicine and SNUH

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Ensuring the Public Nature of Research

With our dedication to public healthcare, we strive to open up the field of research by transferring technology and knowledge. At SNUH, we emphasize the importance of cooperation between industry, academia, and research in order to create a conducive environment and integrated research infrastructure for technological innovation. Furthermore, we strive to create a sustainable R&D system geared towards innovative health care technology.
Convergence Medicine Professors

The application of AI, IoT, and other cutting-edge technologies to the field of life science is changing the world of medicine. At SNUH, we have not only stepped up to adapt to these changes, but also created separate departments and brought in full-time research professors dedicated to this new field of convergence medicine. This helps us focus on fostering talents in the field of convergence medicine and promoting clinical research to strengthen the interdisciplinary links among life science, precision medicine, IT, AI, and much more.

01 Medical information science
  • Data science
  • Medical artificial intelligence
  • Precision medicine

02 Regenerative medicine
  • Cell therapy
  • Tissue engineering

03 Bio-pharmaceuticals
  • New drug development
  • Gene therapy

04 Translational research
  • Development of medical devices
  • Development of medical technology
  • Practicability of medical technology

05 Future health technology related policy
  • Development and support of the future medical industry
  • Development of medical research policy

06 Biomedical science core lab

Patient-tailed precision medicine using medical big data

SNUH uses medical big data to provide each patient with the best customized precision treatment. This enables customized chemotherapy that delivers superior anticancer results, taking into consideration a patient’s physical conditions and genetics, as well as predicting and preventing future illnesses.

Precision Medical Center

Our precision medical center aims to develop advanced medicine using medical big data and to ultimately guarantee patient safety. At SNUH, we provide accurate and tailored treatments by combining clinical medicine and individual genetic information. SNUH has continued to grow in leaps and bounds towards becoming a hub for precision medicine in Korea by developing genomic panels among many other achievements.

01 Consultation
  Assess the need for next-generation sequencing-based genetic testing

02 Tissue Sampling and Diagnosis
  Prepare tissue samples for pathologic diagnosis and performing next-generation sequencing test

03 Data Analysis
  Next-generation sequencing data analysis and interpretation

04 Precision Medicine Platform
  Integrated management of clinical and genomic information

05 Molecular Tumor Board
  Case assessment and treatment recommendations

06 Treatment
  Optimal treatment for cancer patients
Providing the best care and reliable medical service

With our phenomenal medical specialists, SNUH provides world-class medical services. Our exceptional treatment system for catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases helps make the world a healthier and happier place.

1. Accurate diagnosis and best care
   Our world-class medical specialists and capabilities provide accurate diagnosis and superior outcomes.

2. Catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases treatment system
   SNUH has an impressive treatment system for catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases such as cancer, brain and heart diseases, and organ transplantations.

3. Anonymous patient system protecting privacy
   Our system uses a unique identification number for patients that terminates every day so that the patient’s name and personal information are kept safe throughout the entire outpatient process.

4. Voice recognition solutions for patients with hearing impairments
   Convenience and ease of access are provided for patients with hearing impairments as they can replay doctor’s consultation sessions on their mobile devices if they need any clarification about what was said.
innovative medical landscape a well-organized worldwide network.
Building an innovative medical landscape with a well-organized worldwide network.
SNUH has established a global network to make the best of what each different specialized field has to offer and provide optimal treatment. SNU Children’s Hospital’s commitment to public healthcare and competitiveness in treating catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases, SNU Cancer Hospital’s cutting-edge system and constant research towards conquering cancer, and world-class competitiveness in each field have been the driving force behind groundbreaking achievements. Furthermore, we are working with international partners to make innovative medical technology practical and spread leading hospital management models and medical systems. This brings us a step closer towards establishing SNUH as a future medicine hub that safeguards people’s health.
Setting the standard for pediatric care with a well-organized professional

Established as the Korea’s first children’s hospital in 1985, SNU Children’s Hospital is equipped with exceptional medical specialists, world-class facilities, and cutting-edge tools to provide the best treatment. In addition to treating catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases such as pediatric cancer, SNUH continues to set new standards for pediatric care, ranging from diagnosis to treatment, rehabilitation and prevention powered by years of clinical experience, to provide unparalleled medical service. Designated as a Comprehensive Community Care Center for Pediatrics by the Ministry of Health and Welfare, we strive to strengthen public healthcare sector. Furthermore, designated as Pediatric Emergency Medical Center, we are expanding the professional manpower and capacity.

A new paradigm for conquering cancer with state-of-the-art treatment and clinical research

Established in 2011, SNU Cancer Hospital is an advanced hospital that adopts outpatient-oriented and short-term hospitalization system. We support ‘One Stop, Total Care’ policy. A total of 27 different specialized centers work together to provide integrated services for comprehensive and systematic cancer treatment. We are paving the path towards new and effective ways of conquering cancer with the help of our outstanding medical experts, research abilities, and world-class therapeutic capabilities.
Standing proud at the center of global medical research, especially in the development of world-class medical technology

The Biomedical Research Institute was launched in 1991 to take on the role of research which is one of the core functions of SNUH alongside education and patient care. Our world-class, systematic and well-organized research capabilities helped make landmark advancements in the field of medicine and promoted collaborative research projects between the public and private sector, contributing to the advancement of medicine, public health, and economic growth.

Korea’s best smart IT hospital and global leader

SNU Bundang Hospital (SNUBH) is fully digitalized hospital. Since its launch in 2003, it has quickly become one of the best hospitals in Korea. SNUBH becomes a global leader, exporting more than USD 100 million in hospital information systems to the United States, Saudi Arabia, and other parts of the world. These achievements and phenomenal medical staff have helped us launch the Healthcare Innovation Park - the first medical bio-cluster in Korea – becoming a forerunner of healthcare research and global leader that knows no limits.
Providing world-class medical service and pioneering public healthcare services in Korea

SNUH has operated the SMG-SNU Boramae Medical Center on consignment since 1987. With impressive infrastructure, Boramae Medical Center provides outstanding healthcare to Seoulites, especially to the underprivileged. Boramae Medical Center was cited as the best institution for public health by the Ministry of Health and Welfare, and has been lauded as one of the best municipal hospitals. However, this is just the beginning. At Boramae Medical Center, we constantly strive to find new areas for growth. Boramae Medical Center will continue to lead quality public healthcare services in Korea and will become Korea’s representative public healthcare center.

The future of preventive medicine in Korea

SNUH Healthcare System Gangnam Center is Korea’s go-to institution for health checkups. The talented medical staff and state-of-the-art equipment help the center provide a program tailored for individual customers. Our medical capabilities, including big data usage for precision medicine research and smart checkup systems, allow us to provide future-oriented preventive medical services.
SNUH signed a consignment contract in 2014 with the UAE government to manage the Sheikh Khalifa Specialty Hospital (SKSH). This was the first time that Korean medical institution was commissioned to operate a general hospital overseas. The outstanding staffs and powerful systems provided by SNUH have helped UAE citizens, who previously resorted to going overseas in seek of medical treatment, get the care they need at home.

SKSH continues to incorporate SNUH technology to help advance medical care in the UAE, starting with providing cutting-edge valvular heart disease treatment and offering one-stop breast cancer treatment from diagnosis to surgery. We are aiming and endeavoring to bring the UAE medical service up to a higher level.

Established by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport and operated by SNUH since 2019, the National Traffic Injury Rehabilitation Hospital is Korea’s first rehabilitation hospital for patients injured in traffic accidents. It is comprised of 4 specialized centers for different types of disability – brain injury, spinal cord injury, musculoskeletal injury, and pediatric injury and 10 special clinics according to illness/injury type. The National Traffic Injury Rehabilitation Hospital offers various programs such as Day Rehabilitation Center providing intensive 1 on 1 rehabilitation therapy and Smart Adjustment Training Center where patient and his/her family or guardian participate together.

In addition, we employ the largest number of rehabilitation therapists and are equipped with advanced infrastructure including gait rehabilitating robot and underwater therapy facility. We support functional recovery of the patients and help them return to everyday life earlier.
SNUH has initiated KRW 300 billion project to build a state-of-the-art heavy ion medical accelerator for cancer treatment in Gijang-gun, Busan (estimated completion in 2024).

Heavy ion medical accelerators are the next generation of cancer treatment that accelerates carbon particles to 80 percent of the speed of light which destroys cancer cells embedded 25cm inside a person’s body. In addition to treating previously incurable cancers, this accelerator can significantly reduce the side effects and treatment time and improve the overall survival rates. SNUH will lead cancer treatment and research with the SNUH Heavy Ion Medical Accelerator.

Currently under construction in Siheung, Gyeonggi-do, SNUH Baegot is a “smart” hospital gearing up to lead the future of medicine (estimated completion in 2026).

The goal is to become a top-notch smart hospital, converging AI and IoT with a brain cognitive bio-center specializing in brain, spinal cord, muscle, special sensory and rare nervous diseases. SNUH Baegot will present a novel model for developing medical devices and new drugs in which research, clinical application and technological implementation will take place simultaneously.
Committed to enhancing the quality of public healthcare
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As the nation’s central hospital, SNUH upholds the core values of social contribution. We bring medical services to the underprivileged in farming and fishing communities, orphanages, special schools, flood and disaster areas. Furthermore, we continue to share best practices not only within Korea, but also overseas, including the Littoral Province in Russia, North Korea, Uzbekistan, and Laos. We will put our utmost effort to take responsibility for the people’s health and fulfill our role as the nation’s central hospital.

Emergency dispatch to help students in an accident while volunteering abroad (Cambodia, 2018)

Making Korea and the world a healthier place leveraging the healing art of medicine.
Better future with you

Partnering with relevant institutions to provide better medical access to patients with rare diseases

Coordinating Center for Korean Rare Disease Network
There are around 8,000 types of rare diseases, which tend to be tricky to diagnose because the clinical symptoms are extremely complex. The Coordinating Center for Korean Rare Disease Network runs a special multidisciplinary clinic consisted of medical specialists in various fields, and leads treatment and research by developing and introducing cutting-edge diagnostic and therapeutic technologies. Designated by the Ministry of Health and Welfare as a provincial hub for projects and central support center, the center has established a network with ten rare disease centers nationwide with the aim of building the medical capacity to treat rare diseases and enhance the quality of medical services.

Providing long-term and comprehensive medical care for seriously ill and socially disadvantaged patients

Comprehensive Community Care Center
Comprehensive Community Care Center provides a one-stop and multidisciplinary treatment option for socially disadvantaged patients with catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases. The center offers public health care projects that forge partnerships between medical specialists and education organizations so that comprehensive and long-term service are provided to patients in need of appropriate treatment, quality welfare services, and family nursing care.

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Clinics operated by SNUH and SNU Cancer Hospital

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Clinics operated by SNU Children’s Hospital

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There are around 8,000 types of rare diseases, which tend to be tricky to diagnose because the clinical symptoms are extremely complex. The Coordinating Center for Korean Rare Disease Network runs a special multidisciplinary clinic consisted of medical specialists in various fields, and leads treatment and research by developing and introducing cutting-edge diagnostic and therapeutic technologies. Designated by the Ministry of Health and Welfare as a provincial hub for projects and central support center, the center has established a network with ten rare disease centers nationwide with the aim of building the medical capacity to treat rare diseases and enhance the quality of medical services.

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Providing long-term and comprehensive medical care for seriously ill and socially disadvantaged patients

Comprehensive Community Care Center
Comprehensive Community Care Center provides a one-stop and multidisciplinary treatment option for socially disadvantaged patients with catastrophic illnesses and rare and intractable diseases. The center offers public health care projects that forge partnerships between medical specialists and education organizations so that comprehensive and long-term service are provided to patients in need of appropriate treatment, quality welfare services, and family nursing care.
Taking care of pediatric patients and their family

Respite Care Center for Technology-dependent Children

Although the survival rate of high-risk pediatric patients has improved thanks to modern medicine, more and more patients on dependent care, including respirators are being discharged. As a result, parents often struggle to manage the family and carry on with their economic activities while taking care of children who need care. As a public medical institution, SNUH provides services beyond medical care. Respite Care Center for Technology-dependent Children seeks to provide the best possible around-the-clock service without the parents having to be there 24 hours a day.

SNUH’s Outreach Activities

1. Overseas Medical Camps
   Starting with Sri Lanka in 2004, the Institute of Public Health & Medical Service has hosted medical camps every year in several countries including East Timor, Cambodia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Paraguay, Myanmar, and Vietnam to help the countries make qualitative improvements to their national health infrastructure.

2. Surgery for Children in Developing Countries
   SNUH is committed to helping children lead healthy lives by providing surgery for children fighting against various diseases.

3. Medical Checkups at Special Education Schools
   The Institute of Public Health & Medical Service visits special schools to provide free checkups to students with limited access to health care.

4. Foundation for the Seoul National University Children’s Hospital, SNUH Patients Support Fund
   KRW 10,202,332,859 (=USD 8.39 million) Donated
   13,663 examinations
   305 schools
   120 surgeries performed
   176 surgeries performed
   16,587 patients treated
   5,506 patients supported

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