

Australian Cancer Treatment First



In an Australian medical first, Advent-investee, Genesis Care delivered world-leading *Gamma Knife* treatment to a patient at Macquarie University Hospital in Sydney in August.

The *Gamma Knife* is a non-invasive neurosurgical tool for treating brain cancer and a range of other brain-related disorders. Despite its name, there is no cutting involved - around 200 radiation beams converge with high accuracy on the target inside the brain, permitting intense doses of radiation to be delivered safely to a small target, such as a tumour. For certain types of tumours and neurological disorders, the *Gamma Knife* can provide patients with superior outcomes: fewer complications, lower total treatment cost, and same day treatment.

In addition to the *Gamma Knife* service, Genesis Care will also provide comprehensive cancer services at Macquarie University Hospital, including external beam radiotherapy, medical oncology, and surgical and consulting services – delivering the highest quality care from a single location.

Controlling a national network of premium cardiology (HeartCare) and radiation oncology practices (CancerCare), Genesis Care provides high quality specialist care to patients with cancer and cardiovascular disease, the two largest disease burdens in Australia. In the last twelve months alone, Genesis Care conducted around 100,000 treatments for cancer patients and treated more than 150,000 patients with cardiovascular disease.

With cardiology practices in Qld, Vic, SA, WA, and radiation oncology practices in NSW and SA, Genesis Care has over 450 employees, including ~60 doctors who work at over 50 locations (major capital cities and regional centres).

In 2009, the Advent V fund invested \$36.6million in the group, with a further \$12.0 million new invested to help fund the expansion strategy. The group's expansion planning includes 4 new comprehensive cancer centres and 3 cardiovascular service sites in areas of greatest need, including in key under-serviced suburban and regional areas.

Also in August, Genesis Care completed a merger of its HeartCare Western Australia practice with Coastal Cardiology – creating a combined practice with 12 cardiologists and over 80 staff – soon to be the largest comprehensive cardiology service for patients in Western Australia.

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