## 150th Anniversary of Conde de São Januário General Hospital

To celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Conde de São Januário General Hospital, Macao Post and Telecommunications Bureau has issued a set of commemorative stamps with significant commemorative and collection value. These stamps serve as a means for the public to gain insight of the evolution and development of the Conde de São Januário General Hospital.

Founded in 1874 as a Portuguese military hospital in Macao, the Hospital was rebuilt several times and gradually expanded its range of medical services to Macao residents, including the control of infectious diseases. Since the 1980s, the Hospital has gradually developed into an essential pillar of Macao's specialist medical services. After the return of Macao to the Motherland, and under the leadership of the Chief Executive, the Secretary, the Director of Health Bureau and successive Directors of the Hospital, the Conde de São Januário General Hospital has developed as a general hospital with a capacity of 920 beds.

Since the establishment of the Hospital, the medical and nursing staff have been continuously pursuing excellence of their professionalism and skillsets through various trainings and international academic exchanges, hence promoting the development of the medical and healthcare industry in Macao. In 2012 and 2018, the Hospital obtained the internationally recognized Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS) Hospital Accreditation, which signifies that the Hospital has gained international recognition for its service standards.

At present, other than the specialist outpatient and emergency services, the Conde de São Januário General Hospital also provides psychiatric treatment, day hospitals, inpatient, and surgical services in a total of 29 specialties and 24 sub-specialties. Furthermore, in order to cope with the fast-changing medical technology, the Hospital also actively promotes the application, development and utilization of smart healthcare, keeps abreast of the times and continuously provides residents with high-quality, safe, and convenient healthcare services.

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