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Health care system in Finland

- Prime responsibility for local health services rests with local authorities
- Primary health care
  - health centres
- Secondary health care
  - 20 hospital districts
  - 5 university hospitals and areas of regional responsibility
  - 16 central hospitals
  (National Institute for Health and Welfare)
Patient-centred care

- Vision: To provide the best health service
- Mission: To promote health
- We will provide effective, timely and patient-centred care
Hospital District of Northern Savo

- Financed through taxes
- 19 owning municipalities
- 250,000 inhabitants
The Hospital in numbers (2015)

- Beds: 613
- Staff: 4,316
- Referrals: 93,718
- Outpatient visits: 447,298
- Operations: 19,511
- Deliveries: 2,418
Satisfied patients in KUH

- KUH is responsible for specialised medical care for a total of more than 800,000 patients in Central and Eastern Finland.

- Patient questionnaires indicate that patients are very satisfied with the care they receive.
Financial overview 2015 (1,000 €)

- Operating expenses 408,200
  - personnel costs 227,397
  - purchase of services 97,708

- Operating income 427,200
  - membership base sales 295,700
  - external sales 66,700
Expert doctors

- KUH is a highly regarded trainer of doctors in Finland. Every year, we provide a thousand medical students with either basic or specialised training as well as practical training. In KUH we have all specialties.

- The advantages of studying medicine here are a single campus, modern teaching facilities and equipment and teaching in a hospital that focuses on practical work with patients.
Skilled nurses

- Also about a thousand nursing and other health care students are training at KUH
- KUH has developed a common quality criteria for student guidance that is applied throughout the Hospital District
- Students are asked regularly for feedback on the quality of the teaching
- Questionnaire results show that both medical and nursing students consider the practical training provided by KUH to be the best in Finland
Qualified staff
Medical Research

- KUH is one of Finland's leading medical and nursing research centres
- Strong research areas include both neurosciences and major chronic diseases such as diabetes, atherosclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, cerebrovascular disorders, obesity and cancers
- KUH is a pioneer – for example, in the treatment of brain tumours and vascular gene therapy
Nursing science

- KUH's nursing science focuses on patient-centred care, staff sizing and improving the quality of working life and leadership

- Nursing science is stimulated by the existence of Finland's largest nursing teaching unit at the University of Eastern Finland
Research collaboration

- The Hospital is located in the Kuopio Science Park and is thus engaged in important collaboration with the Science Park's research centres and the University of Eastern Finland
High-quality equipment

- KUH has the only precision radiation therapy device, CyberKnife in whole Scandinavia
- In KUH there are also PET/CT scan and cyclotron
- KUH got its own Da Vinci Xi, Surgical System powered by robotic technology in February 2016
Patient being prepared for CyberKnife treatment
High-quality and productive care

- KUH has been a pioneer in the development of quality control in Europe

- In 1999, KUH received the ISO 9001:2000 quality certification (the first hospital of its size in Europe)
 Municipal-owned companies

- KUH has transferred many of its support services to independent operators
- Islab provides laboratory services throughout Eastern Finland
- Servica is responsible for catering services, institutional care services, maintenance of equipment and property and logistics services
- Istekki is responsible for ICT and medical technology services
The new Kaari Hospital was opened May 2015
Kaari Hospital

- The key functions of the Kaari Hospital:
  - 28 operating theatres
  - intensive care and monitoring
  - maternity ward
  - In conjunction with the new building, the Hospital's procedures were improved
  - A 10-year renovation of the old hospital started in autumn 2015
New Säde Hospital

- At the new Säde Hospital patients receive radiation therapy and drug therapy. Also Palliative Treatment Outpatient Clinic, Oncology Outpatient Clinic and Haematology Outpatient Clinic are located at Säde Hospital.
The new Säde Hospital was opened October 2015
Faster treatment

- Hospital’s goal is to cut the number of ward beds by a third and place more emphasis on outpatient care
  - Day wards (home for the night)
  - Weekday wards (home for the weekend)
  - Rapid response unit for the Emergency Department
  - Faster treatment at the Emergency Department (triage)
Thank you!