

## CBAHI at a Glance

The Saudi Central Board for Accreditation of Healthcare Institutions (CBAHI) is the official agency authorized to grant healthcare accreditation to all governmental and private healthcare facilities operating today in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Originally emerged from the Saudi Health Council as a non-profit organization, CBAHI is primarily responsible for setting the quality and safety standards to ensure a better and safer healthcare. Its initial official inauguration was due after the Ministerial Decree number 144187/11 on October 2005 , which called for the formation of the Central Board for Accreditation of Healthcare Institutions that shall be responsible for the initiation of a national voluntary healthcare accreditation program. In 1434/2013, the Council of Ministers mandated accreditation by CBAHI and gave it its current name.

The mission of the Saudi Central Board is to promote healthcare quality and patient safety by supporting healthcare facilities to continually comply with accreditation standards.

The vision of the Saudi Central Board is to be the regional leader in improving healthcare quality and patient safety.

In addition to the hospital accreditation program, CBAHI now has two other accreditation programs (Primary Healthcare Centers and Ambulatory Healthcare Centers including Medical Laboratories). Additional certification program for blood banks and blood transfusion services is underway.

Driven by its core values and the dedicated team of surveyors and staff at the central office, CBAHI is determined to be a major driving force and a recognized standard for the provision of safe and high quality healthcare. CBAHI is proud to be amongst few healthcare accreditation agencies around the world that are accredited by the International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua), both standards and organization.