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AIA donates RM145,000 to 5 sick children

KUALA LUMPUR: Siti Khadijah Shamsul has a smile that can melt anyone's heart, and her mother, Khaidatul Akmalia Mohd Alias, says that despite suffering from a congenital heart defect, she is active and loves to play.

"Although she is not fasting, Siti loves to wake up for *sahur* and *iftar* with her dad and I," Khaidatul said.

The toddler was among five who received a donation of RM145,000 from the the American International Assurance Berhad (AIA) Have-a-Heart fund at the Gleneagles Intan Medical Centre, on Friday.

The others who received the donations were Lau Zi Wei, 6, Yong Chia Meng, 5, Khoo Yu Fan, 4, and V. Thaneswary, 11, all needing urgent corrective heart surgeries.

"We hope that the fund will continue to help children with heart problems gain access to the medical treatment that they need," said AIA chief executive officer Khor Hock Seng.

The fund was set up in 1998 to provide financial assistance to poor children.

In conjunction with the Hari Raya celebrations, AIA also distributed Hari Raya gift packs to 30 children at the paediatric ward.



Khor Hock Seng (third from right) and his colleagues with the mock cheque for the five children who will undergo surgery at Gleneagles Intan Medical Centre.