



Press release

Cario owned Svenska Cityklinikerna gets five-year dialysis contract in Malmö

Svenska Cityklinikerna in Lund today signed a five-year agreement relating to dialysis operations with Region Skåne's southwest healthcare district, which will be run in combination with Cityklinikerna's operations in Malmö. The agreement initially involves annual net sales of SEK 8 million, increasing to around SEK 20 million by 2006. Patient admittance will commence in June 2001 at the latest.

The agreement covers treatment responsibility for 25 patients at the outset; a figure that is expected to increase to 45 by the close of the period. The initiative relates to outpatient dialysis treatment of patients with chronic renal insufficiency without the complications that often require hospital care or intensive observation during dialysis treatment.

"-This is a success for us and consolidates our initiatives within Cario's dialysis operations. Here in Skåne, there is a major lack of dialysis treatment places, forcing patients to travel to Denmark. We're delighted to be able to help reduce the long waiting lists," says Olle Zelmerlöv, MD of Svenska Cityklinikerna.

Lundby Sjukhus in Gothenburg, which is part of the Cario group, started up an entirely new dialysis unit in September. It will mainly serve patients from Västra Götaland but will also be admitting patients from the rest of Sweden and abroad. The dialysis unit in Lundby is expected to have a turnover of SEK 15 million next year.

Svenska Cityklinikerna offers easily accessible, top-quality specialist healthcare with medical centres in Malmö, Lund, Landskrona, Helsingborg, Kristianstad and Halmstad. Cityklinikerna has care agreements with the county council. Each clinic has specialists in general medicine. Furthermore, they have orthopaedic surgeons, general surgeons, specialists in internal medicine, hand surgeons, ear specialists, ophthalmologists, paediatricians, dermatologists, neurologists and psychiatrists. The company has 250 employees today. Svenska Cityklinikerna is part of Cario's Business Area Outpatient Specialist Care, which has annual net sales of around SEK 1000 million.

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