

St Helier Hospital opts for Symbia T6

Greater depth of anatomical information leads to enhanced patient examinations

St Helier Hospital, part of Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust, has recently celebrated the installation of a Symbia® T6 TruePoint SPECT•CT from Siemens Healthcare. The unit combines a 6-slice CT with variable angle dual detector SPECT for rapid, accurate attenuation correction and precise localisation.

St Helier Hospital is using the system to achieve rapid image acquisition for a wide range of procedures, including renal scans, brain scans and ventilation and perfusion scans. The dual angle detector makes it capable of improving image quality for even the most challenging of scans. Additionally the system places emphasis on patient comfort and can accommodate both paediatric and bariatric patients with ease.

“Installing the Symbia makes it possible to obtain a greater depth of anatomical information in one examination,” states Esam Fikak, Superintendent Nuclear Medicine Practitioner at St Helier Hospital. “We are impressed by the overall quality and flexibility that the system offers, catering for a range of patient needs and workload demands.”

“With highly detailed images, the installation of the Symbia T6 at St Helier Hospital enables clinicians to make more confident diagnostic decisions,” states Andreas Hadjiphanis, Regional Sales Manager at Siemens Healthcare. “SPECT•CT is invaluable to help detect a wide variety of conditions as early as possible to facilitate treatment planning.”

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Picture caption: Siemens Healthcare Regional Sales Manager, Andreas Hadjiphanis and staff from St Helier Hospital with the recently installed Symbia T6 TruePoint SPECT•CT from Siemens Healthcare.

