The Supreme Council of Health (SCH) also announced the appointment of the Third Party Administrator (TPA) for the scheme. The TPA will administer the daily operations of the scheme on behalf of the National Health Insurance Company, similar to the way such health insurance systems are operated worldwide. Alkhaleej Takaful was selected after an extensive competitive tender earlier in 2012. The Alkhaleej offer brings the Qatari Alkhaleej Takaful Group, together with global insurance organization Aetna International and GlobeMed.

"The establishment of the NHIC and the appointment of the TPA today marks another major milestone on the road to launching the scheme," said Dr Faleh. "The Alkhaleej Takaful offer brought together both local and world class capabilities that we are confident will provide a strong partnership in creating a robust service for the nation."

The appointment will see Alkhaleej Takaful establish the infrastructure for connecting beneficiaries and providers with the upcoming National Health Insurance Company. This includes the claims management systems and call centre.



"As a Qatari national company, Alkhaleej Takaful Group is extremely proud to be part of this prestigious project," said Jassim Al-Moftah, CEO of Alkhaleej Takaful Group. "This significant national project allows us at Alkhaleej to further support the vision of 2030, and set another high standard of living for all citizens and non-nationals in the State of Qatar. We are certain that with the partnership and support of our colleagues at the Supreme Council of Health, we will make this project a success. We also take pride in the partnerships that we have developed

for this project. Aetha and GlobeMed are amongst the most internationally recognized and professional corporations. Along with their support, we will achieve the goal of a true universal health care system in Qatar."

Information about the scheme, including more details and updates are available on the SCH website located at <u>www.sch.gov.ga</u>. There will also be an advertising campaign to inform people about the scheme as well as booths at certain locations where information on the scheme will be available.