KOTA KINABALU: A young mother is grateful for getting back her health after a successful heart surgery at a private hospital, here.

Arrty Yantuni, 21, who is from Kota Belud, said after almost a year living in pain and tiring easily, she was now able to take care of her baby better.

She said she suffered a heart problem after giving birth to her child last year.

“I had not been feeling well since and had to wait quite a while to undergo operation.

“It feels good to recover and lead a normal life again,” she said, at the “Life Renewed” sharing session at Kota Kinabalu Gleneagles Hospital, here yesterday.

Cardiologist Dr Abu Bakar Mamat said Arrty’s heart could have failed if the issue had not been dealt with immediately.

Arrty is one of four patients in Sabah who were fortunate to receive free medical care through the hospital’s “corporate giving” initiative.

The other three were Nicholas Lester, who had Hirschsprung’s disease, Turnina Tubasa, who had an 8cm tumour in the left brain, and chronic heart disease patient Nurul Aini Mohd Safie.

Gleneagles Kota Kinabalu Hospital chief executive officer Noel Cheah said about RM500,000 had been allocated through the Life Renewed fund for 22 patients in Sabah.