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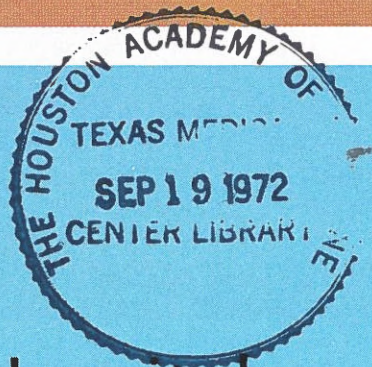
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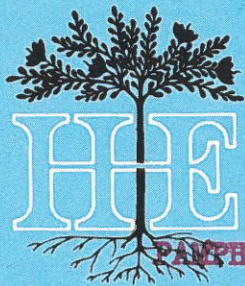
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Hermann Hospital

TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER

HOUSTON, TEXAS 77025



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HERMANN HOSPITAL and the Texas Medical Center

HERMANN HOSPITAL—THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Hermann Hospital derives its name from its founder, George H. Hermann, son of a Swiss immigrant, who was born in Houston in 1843 and who died in 1914. The Hermann Hospital Estate was organized in 1919 under provisions of a testamentary trust created by the late George Hermann. The Estate is administered by a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees whose members serve without pay. Today, Hermann Hospital is one of the largest teaching, nonprofit, nonsectarian, private hospitals in the Nation. It is affiliated as the primary teaching hospital to The University of Texas Medical School at Houston.



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*Completion scheduled for late 1975.

WELCOME TO THOSE WE SERVE

This patient booklet introduces you to Hermann Hospital and is designed to acquaint you with our services and procedures.

Hospitalization is never a completely pleasant experience, but every effort will be made by all of the hospital personnel to give you the finest medical care available and to make you as comfortable as possible.

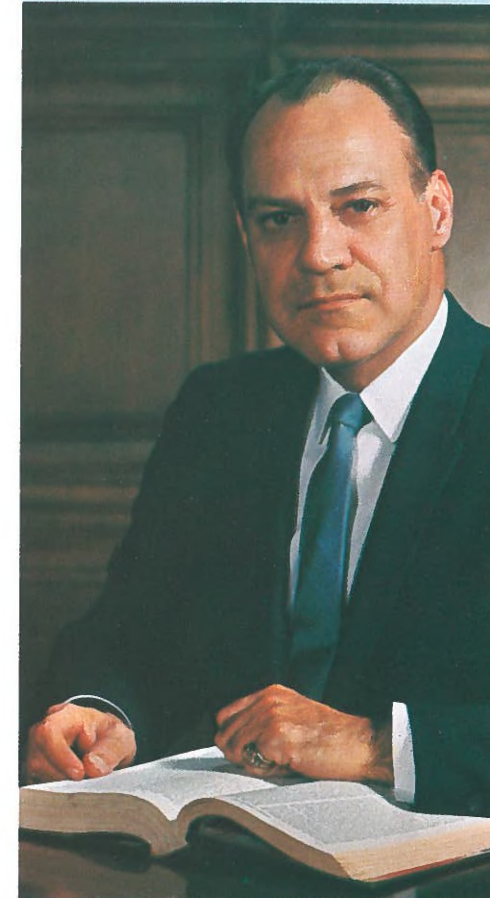
You and your doctor have chosen a hospital which has voluntarily sought and received full accreditation from The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals consisting of the American College of Physicians, American College of Surgeons, American Medical Association, and the American Hospital Association.

Hermann Hospital, founded in 1925, is entering a new era. As the model teaching hospital for The University of Texas Medical School at Houston, we are proud to be one of the approximately one hundred primary teaching hospitals to major medical schools in the Nation. We believe that the finest medical care in this country today is provided by the primary teaching hospital.

Information about hospital services, facilities, and procedures are included in this booklet. We hope that this information will help to make you feel more comfortable in the hospital environment. I will appreciate any suggestions you wish to make that will help us provide the best possible patient care.

Sincerely,

Dan G. Kadrovach, FACHA
Director, Hermann Hospital



YOUR ADMISSION to the Hospital

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

When you are admitted to the Hospital, you will be asked certain necessary questions by the Admitting Office, and then you will be escorted to your room. In order to receive proper credit for your insurance coverage, you should bring your insurance policies, Medicare card, and/or identification cards at the time of your admission.

TREATMENT PERMIT

Permits for treatment must be signed by each patient or by next of kin. Permits for minors must be signed by parents or guardians.

MEDICAL RECORDS

A complete record of the care and treatment of every patient is kept in our Medical Records Department. These records are required by hospital accreditation agencies. They are necessary to the quality of the professional and medical care of our patients. Medical records are strictly confidential. Information contained in the records is divulged to no one without the written consent of the patient and the attending physician except when required by law.

IDENTIFICATION BANDS

At the time of your admission, an identification band will be placed on your arm which must not be removed until you leave the Hospital. You will notice that your name, address, and the doctor's name appear on the band. Since this information remains in plain view throughout your stay, everyone who treats or serves you knows positively who you are, thus eliminating the necessity of disturbing you when you are resting or asleep.

VALUABLES

The Hospital does not accept responsibility for loss or damage to valuables, clothing, or other personal items. It is strongly urged that you leave valuables at home. If this is not possible, you should leave any items of value in the Hospital safe and arrange to pick them up during cashier hours.

VISITING PRIVILEGES

Visitors are welcome at Hermann Hospital. We know that you will want to see your family and friends while you are hospitalized. However, too many or too frequent visitors can be tiring to one who is ill, and much of your time is spent receiving nursing care and treatment. Therefore, please ask your visitors to observe visiting hours and rules.



GENERAL NURSING UNITS

Visiting is permitted between 11:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. daily except when your doctor orders limitations. Visitors under 14 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

PEDIATRICS

Visiting is permitted between 11:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. daily. Visitors should remember that the child is in the Hospital for medical treatment, and that long visits and too frequent visits are discouraged. One parent is requested to stay with a child under 11 at all times. No visitors under 14 years of age are permitted in the Pediatrics Unit.

MATERNITY

Children under the age of 14 are not allowed on the maternity floor. No visitors will be permitted in the mother's room while the baby is present. If a newborn infant is exposed to a visitor, the baby must be placed in the isolation nursery. Patients from other areas are not permitted to visit the maternity section, and maternity patients are not allowed on other sections of the Hospital. Visitors are not allowed on the floor at babies' feeding times which are:

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Visitors are requested to leave the maternity section no later than 8:45 p.m.

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT AND CARDIAC CARE CENTER

Visitors are limited to members of the immediate family, and only one person at a time may visit the patient. Visiting periods are for 10 minutes at the beginning of each EVEN hour. Visitors should be at least 16 years of age; however, visitors no younger than 14 years of age will be permitted according to individual circumstances.

PAYMENT FOR YOUR HOSPITALIZATION

YOUR ACCOUNT

The Hospital asks that at the time of your admission you make the necessary financial arrangements for the payment of your hospital bill. Patients having acceptable hospital insurance are not required to make an initial deposit. A deposit is required for those patients with nonassignable policies and patients whose charges are covered by liability insurance claims.

Bills are due and payable weekly unless previous arrangements have been made. The uninsured portion of your account balance is due and payable at the time of your discharge.

HOSPITAL INSURANCE AND MEDICARE

Your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company, and while we cooperate to the fullest in expediting your claim, you are ultimately responsible for your account.

Your Blue Cross identification card, Medicare card, and all insurance policies that you wish to use as credit against your bill should be brought to the Hospital and assigned at the time of admission.

At the time of discharge, an estimate is made of the amount to be received from your insurance company. You will be asked to pay the amount by which your account balance exceeds this estimated amount at the time of discharge.

DAILY SERVICE CHARGE

Your daily service charge includes your room, nursing care, all meals, some common drugs, maintenance, housekeeping, and television.



DOCTORS' FEES

Your hospital bill does not include your physician's fees. Professional fees for such services as anesthesiology and radiology will be billed separately by the specialist.

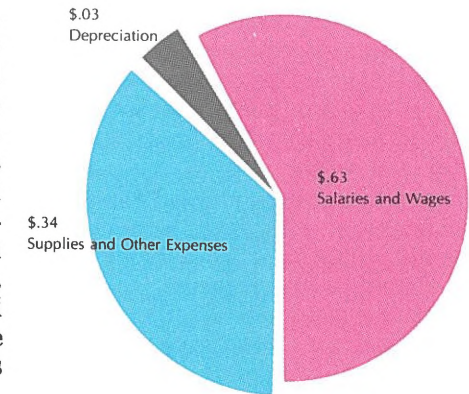
DISCHARGE PROCEDURES

There are four steps to the discharge procedure for patient's release from the hospital:

1. Your physician will write a discharge order on your chart.
2. He will probably discuss your release with you. Otherwise, one of the nurses will inform you.
3. You, or someone you designate, must go to the Business Office. When your account has been settled in full by cash payment, insurance confirmation, or special arrangements with the financial counselor, an official release will be given to you.
4. When the release has been given to one of the nurses, you are ready to go home.

YOUR HOSPITAL DOLLAR

Hospitals are made up of people. Some 63 cents of each Hospital expense dollar goes toward wages and salaries for those people who care for you. The Hospital's next largest expense results from providing its patients with the most modern, up-to-date facilities and equipment. In addition to these greatest expense items, the Hospital must set aside a small portion of each dollar to purchase equipment as replacement becomes necessary.



CHECKOUT TIME

The amount of your hospital bill is based upon the length of your stay and the special services rendered. In order that your room may be made ready for the next patient, we ask that you check out before 11:00 a.m. You are charged for your admission day but not for the day you are discharged unless you remain after 11:00 a.m. Most patients enter the Hospital during the afternoon; therefore, we shall appreciate your cooperation by arranging to check out no later than 11:00 a.m. on the day of discharge.



PATIENT SERVICES

For almost 50 years, Hermann Hospital has maintained a level of excellence in general hospital services that frees the energy and imagination of its staff to provide a series of special services for its patients. The Hospital recognizes that illness places special stresses on patients and their families, and that alleviating these stresses can have a positive effect in terms of quick recovery.

Specific patient-oriented services at Hermann Hospital include the Hermann Hospital Volunteers, Social Services Department, the Department of Pastoral Care and Education, an Admitting Hostess program, Interpreting Services, and Special Dietary Services.

THE HERMANN HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

The Hermann Hospital Volunteers for over a decade have brought to the patient a gift of time filled with compassion and understanding. They offer as a vital adjunct to the professional work of the Hospital employee—that personal attention to the patient which helps to heal.

The objectives of Hermann Hos-



pital Volunteers, Incorporated, are twofold:

First, the Volunteers provide service to the patient; also, specially trained Volunteers serve in the Emergency Room, the Gift Shop, the outpatient clinics, and other vital areas of the hospital. Their services not only reduce the cost of hospital care but also make the Hospital a more pleasant place in which to recuperate.

Second, the Volunteers established a development fund in 1962 which has provided financial resources for such special projects as the remodeling of patient floors and public waiting areas, and provided operating expenses for the Department of Pastoral Care and Education.

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Department of Social Services augments work already being done by the State of Texas. The duties of the Social Services

Department involve helping the patient as he prepares to leave the Hospital. The social worker assists those eligible for help from such sources as the Texas Rehabilitation Center or the Commission for the Blind, as well as other socially-oriented programs.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PASTORAL CARE AND EDUCATION

Hermann Hospital's Department of Pastoral Care and Education provides an extra dimension of care to patients and their families within the Hospital setting. Visits to patients and families are made by the chaplain staff, chaplain-interns, and Hermann Hospital Volunteers, working with the department.

The Department of Pastoral Care and Education conducts a weekly program of Sunday chapel services for patients and their families. Tray cards containing information about the services are distributed to patients with the Saturday evening meal. Patients who indicate a desire to attend the Roman Catholic service from 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. or the Interfaith service from 10:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. are accompanied to Hermann Hospital South Auditorium by a Hospital Volunteer.

HOSTESS PROGRAM

The activities of the hostesses are as varied as the patients who

enter the Hospital. In the course of her duties as representative of the patient, she acts as friend, listener, secretary, guide, comforter, and errand runner. She is especially needed by visitors from foreign countries and working with the assistance of an interpreter, she makes them feel more at home in an unfamiliar atmosphere.

INTERPRETATION SERVICE

An interpretation service is a recognized need and is provided for the patient at Hermann Hospital. A Spanish-speaking interpreter is assigned full time to the hostess program and fulfills most of the interpretation requests. Interpretation services for other languages are provided by employees working in other areas who have foreign language skills. Currently interpretation service for 11 languages is available.

SPECIAL DIETARY SERVICES

The Dietary Department offers a series of special services to the patient and to his family. One of the most welcome of these services is early morning coffee. Any patient whose diet includes coffee may request that coffee be served to him in the morning between 6:30 and 7:00 before his breakfast tray arrives. In addition, complimentary early morning coffee is served to parents staying overnight with children in the Pediatrics section.

Each patient on a modified diet receives special diet instruction while in the Hospital. A dietitian visits the patient in his room and explains the basis of his diet. An appointment is made with whom-ever takes care of food preparation in the patient's family to plan menus compatible with both the patient's needs and with his family's normal eating habits.

GENERAL INFORMATION

MAIL AND FLOWERS

Any mail or flowers addressed to you will be delivered to your room. Mail received after you have been discharged from Hermann Hospital will be forwarded to your home address.

MEDICAL AND NURSING CARE

Your physician is responsible for your treatment while you are a patient at Hermann. He directs the entire Hospital team in caring for you while you are in the Hospital. Many of your special requests will be checked with your physician in order to assure that they comply with medical treatment which your doctor is prescribing.

NEWSPAPERS

Houston's major daily morning and evening newspapers, *The Houston Post* and *The Houston Chronicle*, are delivered to each patient floor by Hermann Hospital Volunteers or Hospital employees. If you wish to purchase a newspaper, you may request this of your nurse.

PRIVATE DUTY NURSES

Private duty nurses may be requested by either your physician or yourself. Since these nurses are not Hospital employees, fees should be paid directly to them.

PUBLIC FOOD SERVICE

Twenty-four hour food service is available for Hospital visitors. The Hospital cafeteria is located on the first floor in the Main Building and

is open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. In addition, automatic food vending areas are located on the first floor of the Main Building (hours from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m.) and in the Cullen Pavilion (open 24 hours).

SMOKING

Smoking is discouraged in all parts of the Hospital and is strictly forbidden in some areas. In addition to these restricted areas of the Hospital, your physician may request that smoking not be permitted in your room when you receive certain medications or treatments.

TELEPHONE

All patient rooms have been equipped with private telephones for your convenience. Local calls can be placed by dialing "9" and then the telephone number you are trying to reach. Long-distance calls are placed through the Hospital Operator by dialing "0." As a courtesy to the person who next occupies your room after you are discharged, please give your telephone number only to those members of your family or close friends who will know when you leave the Hospital. Telephone service is included in the daily service charge of your final bill.

TELEVISION

Television sets are permanently installed in patient rooms throughout the Hospital. If your set should require service, call the Hermann Hospital Volunteers, extension 4141.

WAITING ROOMS

Waiting rooms are located throughout the Hospital on each floor and in the lobby. The Hospital requests that overflow visitors use these waiting rooms when they cannot be at your bedside. Children under 14 should wait in the Main Building Lobby accompanied at all times by an adult.



MEDICAL SERVICES and FACILITIES

BLOOD BANK

All blood used for transfusions in the hospital is processed through the Blood Bank. This department provides a medical service in the Hospital and prefers not to charge the patients for blood used but urges patients' relatives or friends to replace blood used. When blood is replaced, credit for this donation is applied toward the patient's Hospital bill.

CARDIAC CARE UNIT

This unit contains four beds which are equipped with bedside monitors and centralized monitoring at the nurses' station. Highly trained personnel work in the unit and provide continuous observation of patients who are suffering from various heart ailments.

CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY (EEG)

This department contains equipment which records brain waves produced by the electric impulses of the brain. These recordings are used by the attending physician to aid in diagnosing various injuries and diseases. It is located on the sixth floor in the Cullen Pavilion.



MEDICAL SERVICES and FACILITIES

ELECTROCARDIOLOGY

The equipment in this department records the activities of the heart and is used to determine the performance of a patient's heart. Most of the time, these tests are done in the patient's room, although the patient may occasionally be sent to the department.

EMERGENCY CENTER

The hospital's newly renovated emergency center is staffed by physicians 24 hours a day. This center is specially equipped to treat emergency cases. It is on the first floor at the rear of the main building.

INHALATION THERAPY

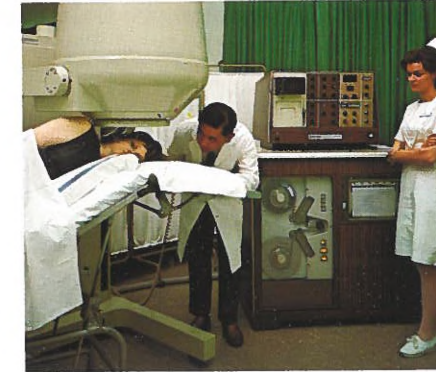
The inhalation therapy department provides 24 hour service for treatment of various lung and related diseases. This consists largely of treatment by the administration of oxygen. This treatment is provided upon the order of the attending physician.

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

This 12-bed unit is staffed by specially trained personnel and provides 24-hour nursing care for patients who are acutely ill. Patients in this unit are continually observed and emergency equipment is available at all times to provide assistance to patients who require it.

NUCLEAR MEDICINE

The nuclear medicine department utilizes controlled doses of radioactive material to assist physicians in diagnosing various ill-



nesses. The professional interpretation of these diagnostic studies is done by a licensed physician who bills patients separately from the hospital charge for this study.

PATHOLOGY (Laboratory)

The laboratory is staffed by trained medical technologists under the direction of seven board-certified pathologists (physicians who specialize in laboratory medicine). The laboratory currently performs over 11½ million tests per year. The latest laboratory equipment is used, such as a 12-channel auto analyzer and other sophisticated equipment.

PHARMACY

Hermann Hospital pharmacy has two locations. One unit is located on the first floor of the main building and is operated from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The other pharmacy is located in the clinic building and is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The main function of these pharmacies is to fill prescriptions for inpatients and

not to substitute for the commercial pharmacies located in the city. Certain personal items may be purchased in the pharmacy. Patients who are seen in the outpatient department may be eligible to have prescriptions filled.

PHYSICAL THERAPY

The physical therapy department is located on the second floor of the hospital. Physical therapy treatments are given only upon the physician's request. The purpose of this department is to assist the patient in resuming his full range of physical activity.

RADIOLOGY

The X-ray department is located on the first floor of the main building and has the finest, most modern equipment available. A highly qualified staff of physicians who are specialists in radiology make X-ray diagnostic studies and special examinations. These physicians bill patients separately from the hospital charges for their professional services.

RADIOTHERAPY

The radiotherapy department is equipped to give X-ray and cobalt therapy for treatment of inflammatory or malignant diseases.

RECOVERY ROOM

The recovery room is a part of the surgical suite and contains 15 beds where patients are held post-operative, usually between 1 to 3 hours or until they are alert enough to return to the general nursing floor following surgical procedure. The personnel in the recovery room are specifically trained in caring for patients who have had any type of anesthesia.

SURGERY

The surgery suite is located on the second floor of the main building and contains 18 rooms which are specially designed and equipped for surgical procedures. Since no visitors are allowed in this area, they should wait either in the patient's room or in the waiting room adjacent to the ICU.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Hermann Hospital recognizes that training medical and paramedical personnel is a vitally important function closely related to patient care.

In addition to its direct connection to The University of Texas Medical School at Houston, the Hospital, as a statewide resource, is now assisting university educational programs by making its clinical facilities available to The University of Texas Nursing School (System-Wide) and to junior and senior medical students from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, as well as to students and faculty of other University of Texas System biomedical units.

As a natural extension of the Hospital's philosophy of total health care for the community and to assure for the community the constant availability of well-trained health care professionals, the Hospital has: School of Nursing, School of Vocational Nursing, School of Medical Technology, and School of Radiologic Technology.

Other educational programs include: Chaplains Training, Nuclear Medicine Technician Training, Hospital Administration, Hospital Administrative Residency, House Staff, and postgraduate training programs.

For further information regarding Hermann Hospital's educational programs, please contact: Department of Public Affairs, Suite 1210, Hermann Professional Building, Houston, Texas 77025, or telephone (713) 527-4100.

Hermann Hospital voluntarily fulfills all requirements to meet the highest national standards set for medical staff, hospital personnel, patient care, and all phases of hospital functions. This assures for the patient the finest in medical care and the highest quality of service available.

HERMANN HOSPITAL has been fully accredited by The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals consisting of:

American College of Physicians
American College of Surgeons
American Medical Association
American Hospital Association

THE HOSPITAL

is a member of:

The American Hospital Association
The Texas Hospital Association
The Greater Houston Hospital Council

is licensed by:

The Texas State Department of Health

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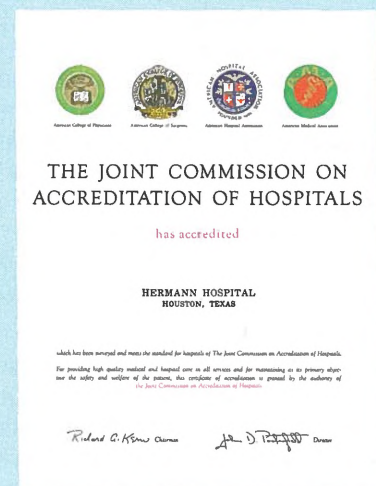
are approved and accredited by:

American Medical Association Council on Medical Education

Texas State Board of Nurse Examiners
Texas State Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners

National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service

American Society of Clinical Pathologists
American College of Radiologists



It has an internship program and 10 specialty resident training programs that are fully approved by the American Medical Association Council on Medical Education, and to further assure the quality of these programs, the hospital is a member of The Council of Teaching Hospitals of the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Hermann Hospital is affiliated with The University of Texas System as the

YOUR HOSPITAL at a Glance

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

First Floor
Administration
Business Office
Medical Records
Nursing Service

ADMITTING OFFICE

First Floor
Open 24 hours
Suggested admittance: by 2:00 p.m.

BLOOD BANK

Main Building Basement
Donor Hours:
11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday
through Friday
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday
Appointments are encouraged at all
times and are required after noon
on Saturdays.

CAFETERIA (Open to the Public)

First Floor, Main Building
* 6:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.
Vending Machines:
Main Building, open 10:00 a.m. to
6:00 a.m.
Clinic Building, open 24 hours

CASHIER

First Floor

CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Fifth Floor

CARDIAC CARE UNIT

Second Floor
Limited visiting; please see "Visiting
Privileges"

DISCHARGE TIME

11:00 a.m.

EMERGENCY CENTER

A fully equipped and staffed emer-
gency center is open 24 hours daily.

GIFT SHOP

Main Building Lobby

HOSTESS PROGRAM

Main Building Lobby

INFORMATION DESK

Main Building Lobby

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

Second Floor
Limited visiting; please see "Visiting
Privileges"

MAIL

Delivered daily
Stamps may be purchased from the
mail room or the vending machines.

MATERNITY SUITE

Second Floor
Fathers' Waiting Room
Labor and Delivery

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MEDITATION ROOM

First Floor—adjacent to the hospital
auditorium

NEWSPAPERS

Delivered to floors twice daily
Available in the gift shop and outside
the front entrance

PATHOLOGY

Second Floor

PATIENT LEAVING FLOOR

Patients are required to obtain authori-
zation before leaving their nursing
unit area.

PHARMACY

First Floor

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Second Floor

PRIVATE DUTY NURSE

First Floor—Nursing Services Offices

RADIOLOGY

First Floor

STAYING OVERNIGHT

Arrangements may be made for a rela-
tive to remain overnight providing
the patient is assigned to a private
room. A parent is requested to stay
overnight with children younger than
11 years of age.

SURGICAL SUITE

Second Floor
Waiting room for relatives

TELEPHONE

Patients: Dial "9" for outside line,
then complete call. For calls within
the hospital or long-distance calls,
dial "0" for operator and she will
complete the call. Public telephones:
available throughout the hospital.

TELEVISION

For repair, call extension 4141.

TIPPING

Please refrain from tipping employees
and volunteers.

VISITING HOURS

9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily for general
patient areas.
For special areas, please see "Visiting
Privileges."

VOLUNTEER OFFICE



Hermann Hospital is in the process of completely renovating the Roy and Lillie Cullen Pavilion and adding a major addition which will provide over 300 additional beds. Shown in this architectural rendering is the new wing which will adjoin the primary structure of The University of Texas Medical School at Houston.

YOUR GIFT... A Living Tribute

A gift to Hermann Hospital will be a living tribute to honor loved ones, firms, and organizations, and to perpetuate their names. Your generosity will increase the quality of health care for the citizens of Houston and Harris County and will be a gift of health to patients in the future.

The Hospital invites your participation to dedicate a section, unit, room, or item of equipment. Permanent recognition of the generosity of the donor and the one being honored will be inscribed on a plaque to be attached to the memorial wherever practicable. Gifts may also be designated for research or educational purposes. In addition, unrestricted gifts are an invaluable resource to any institution.

Today when the use of money has been somewhat restricted by taxes, our Federal Government still recognizes the right of philanthropic gifts of generous citizens, by permitting deductions from adjusted gross income of individuals and corporations. You may make tax-free donations to any fund or foundation authorized or operated for charitable, scientific, or educational purposes. Hermann Hospital comes within the province of this definition.

Should you be interested in obtaining further information, please contact Associate Hospital Director Ted S. Roe, Office of Development and Public Affairs, Suite 1025, Hermann Professional Building, telephone (713) 527-4288.