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#### MRS. FORD

#### SCHEDULE

VISIT TO HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN PARTY WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 1974 3-4 PM

Dress: Street dress or whatever's comfortable Advanceperson: Patti Matson

2:35 p.m. DEPART South Grounds via motorcade enroute Hospital for Sick Children, 1731 Bunker Hill Road NE

3 p.m. ARRIVE at Hospital, where you will be met by:

The Rev. Arthur A. Azlein, president of the Hospital Board of Trustees

<u>Dr. Constance U. Battle</u>, medical coordinator for the Hospital

Miss Ruth Paul, chairwoman of the Medical Committee

They will escort you to the party room. As you approach the party room, a signal will be given to

Lorene Nagel, Community Relations Director

who will announce your arrival to the children as you enter.

Informal mingling and talking with the children.

Mrs. Nagel will be passing out refreshments, and you may want to help with that for photo purposes. For the most part, the children will be stationary, many confined by wheelchairs or carts.

note: Photographers and most reporters will be confined to a section at the end of the room where you enter. A pool of three writers will accompany you into the party room.

note: The children with green stars on tags may have their photos taken. The children with red stars on their tags may not. Photographers will be alerted to this.

3:10 approx

Adm. W.C. Barnes will escort you to the stage and ask you to be a part of the presentation since you are honored guest. He will present a check to Rev. Azlein for the Hospital on behalf of the Naval Ship Center.

3:15 approx

Alladin the Magician and Lollypop the Magic Clown will perform for you and the children. There will be a seat for you to the left of the "stage area," which is a cleared off space on the floor along one wall.

3:35 approx

Santa Claus, played by <u>Jon Buck</u> (chairman of the Christmas drive at the Naval Ship Engineering Center), will enter, pulling two laundry carts tied together like a train. The carts will be filled with presents.

Santa will come and get you from your seat and ask for your help in distributing the gifts. There are 60 gifts, one for each child, and the staff, who can identify the children, will also be helping with this.

4 p.m.

When the gifts are distributed, Santa will escort you to the door saying goodbye to the children and walking you to the car.

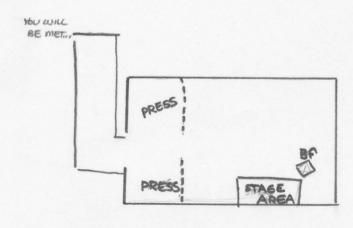
4 p.m.

DEPART Hospital for Sick Children enroute South Lawn of White House.

note: there will be press in the motorcade

4:25 p.m.

ARRIVE South Lawn of White House.





#### BACKGROUNDER on Christmas Party for Hospital for Sick Children

This is an annual party held for the children by the Naval Ship Engineering Center (part of the Navy - used to be the Bureau of Ships). The department has taken the Hospital as a special project to raise money for and help other ways -- like this party every year.

There will be 60 children at the party. Each wrote letters to Santa Claus telling what they wanted. Sears & Roebuck took the letters, and with help from the Hospital staff, shopped for gifts individually for the kids and donated them to the party.

The press is aware that you consider the hospital a special project and that this will be the fourth time you have visited there this year.

Officially, the Hospital is described as an intermediate care facility, admitting children who don't achieve their maximum potential due to an illness of handicapping condition. There are about 90 children in its care, about 60 in-patients and 30 who receive day-care.

The children at the party will be between 3-18 years old, though mostly the younger ages.

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PATTI MATSON

FROM:

SUSAN PORTER

SUBJECT:

Action Memo

Mrs. Ford has accepted the following out-of-house invitation:

EVENT: Children's Christmas Party

GROUP: Sponsored by Naval Ship Engineering Center at the

Hospital for Sick Children

DATE: Wednesday, December 18, 1974

TIME: 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hospital for Sick Children, 1731 Bunker Hill Road, Northeast,

Washington, D.C.

CONTACT: Mrs. Lorene Nagel, 832-4400

Comments: Per Mrs. Nagel, traditionally the Naval Ship Engineering

Center sponsors an annual Christmas party at the Hospital

for Sick Children. There will be a Santa Claus and presents for the children. Because this is a hospital, no doubt there would be limits to press coverage. The

file is attached.

Thank you.

c: BF Staff
Warren Rustand
Staircase
Rex Scouten
James Cavanaugh

Dear Lorene:

We were so pleased to hear about your Christmas party on December 13th. When we received your letter we immediately put it on our calendar. However, at this time we must tentatively schedule it due to Mrs. Ford's recent operation.

I think you remember that Mrs. Ford has said that her heart is very close to you and the children, so we will definitely contact you later regarding her recovery progress. In the meantime, if there is anything that we can do to make the party a success, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Nancy M. Howe Special Assistant to Mrs. Ford

Ms. Lorene Nagel
The Hospital for Sick Children
1731 Bunker Hill Road, Northeast
Washington, D. C. 20017

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#### The Hospital For Sick Children

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September 18, 1974

Ms. Nancy Howe The White House

Dear Nancy:

Mrs. Ford's letter brought us great joy and a lovely glow around our hearts. I read it at Board meeting.

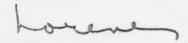
Now we are hastening to tell you about our holiday plans hoping that the afternoon of <u>December 18th</u> is open on your calendar.

Traditionally the Naval Ship Engineering Center (NAVSEC) sponsors our Children's Christmas Party. They have a new Commanding Officer, Admiral Willis C. Barnes, who is taking special interest in this year's plans. They bring Santa Claus loaded with gifts for each individual child, chosen from their "Dear Santa" letters, and lots of goodies.

This year we are scheduling the party from two-thirty to four so all the day-care children can attend. It will be much like the Barbie Party which you recall. The actual hours are two-thirty to four, if you need to work around it.

We are counting so much on Mrs. Ford bringing her own gift of warmth and concern for our children. We do hope she can come.

We send our love.



Carol Singing 11 If 91 st year - interned care facilities the visit this year (Susan came once) annual event - (party) about 90 children (60 live here, 30 day care) 1. Bf will come 2. Santa will christmas Camp

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Alphand out cookies 3:15 magne show - shell-to 3:30 Santa Cl arr & they hand gifts together 4 pm both leave together

For immediate release Dec. 17, 1974

# THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Ford will attend a party Wednesday, Dec. 18 at the Hospital for Sick Children in Washington, D.C. She will arrive at 3 p.m.

The party is held annually for about 90 children at the Hospital (about 60 residents and 30 day-care patients) and is sponsored by the Naval Ship Engineering Center. The Hospital for Sick Children is located at 1731 Bunker Hill Road NE.

The Hospital is a specialized institution which provides intermediate care to infants, children and adolescents (described as care that meets the needs of children who require less than acute care, but much more than custodial care).

Mrs. Ford will be met by The Rev. Arthur A. Azlein, president of the board of trustees of the hospital; Dr. Constance U. Battle, medical coordinator for the hospital; and Ruth Paul, chairwoman of the Medical Committee. A check will be presented to Rev. Azlein for the Hospital from W.C. Barnes, Rear Admiral, United States Navy, on behalf of the Naval Ship Engineering Center. Alladin the Magician and Lollypop the Magic Clown will perform. Santa Claus will be played by Jon Buck, chairman of the Christmas Campaign at the Naval Ship Engineering Center.

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note: Mrs. Ford considers the Hospital for Sick Children a special project and this will be the fourth time she has visited the facility this year. Susan Ford accompanied her on a visit to their annual fair in June.

PRESS WHO WISH TO ACCOMPA NY: pickup time 2:20 p.m. in press lobby. We must have names by noon Wednesday to arrange transportation.



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#### The Hospital For Sick Children

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# FIRST LADY VISITS THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN DECEMBER 18, 1974

For immediate release

With Santa Claus waiting in the wings their Annual Christmas

Party was held for the patients of The Hospital for Sick Children

on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Ford, on her fourth visit to the Hospital this year, (once accompanied by her daughter Susan) brought the nicest gift of all, her own warmth and concern for handicapped children.

The party is an annual event sponsored by the Naval Ship Engineering Center whose wmployees raise funds, solicit the presents (Sears) and provide the entertainment. Rear Admiral Willis C. Barnes, USN Commanding Officer of N.A.V.S.E.C. also was a distinguished guest.

The Hospital, now in its 91st year, is an intermediate care facility. It admits children who are at-risk for not achieving their maximum potential due to an illness or a handicapping condition. It has full programs of habilitation and rehabilitation for both inpatients and day care children.

Mrs. Ford was greeted by the Rev. Arthur A. Azlein, President of the Board of Trustees, Constance U. Battle, M.D., Medical Coordinator, and Miss Ruth Paul, Chairwoman of the Medical Committee. All the ambulatory inpatients and the day-care children attended the party.

# THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 18, 1974

- 2:30 Party begins in Board Room with Carol Singing led by Jon Buck.
- 2:40 Dancer Susie Stiles
- 2:50 Guitarist Rosalie Hays and brother Larry.
- 3:00 Mrs. Ford Arrives (Children greet her) Refreshments with Mrs. Ford assisting.
- 3:12 Check Presentation by Admiral Barnes to Rev. Azlein, President of Board of Trustees, with Mrs. Ford in picture.
- 3:15 Magician Alladin Clown - Lollipop
- 3:35 Santa Claus Arrives
  Mrs. Ford assists with distribution
  of gifts.
- 4:00 Santa escorts Mrs. Ford to door as all at Party wish her Merry Christmas.

#### FROM THE WIRES

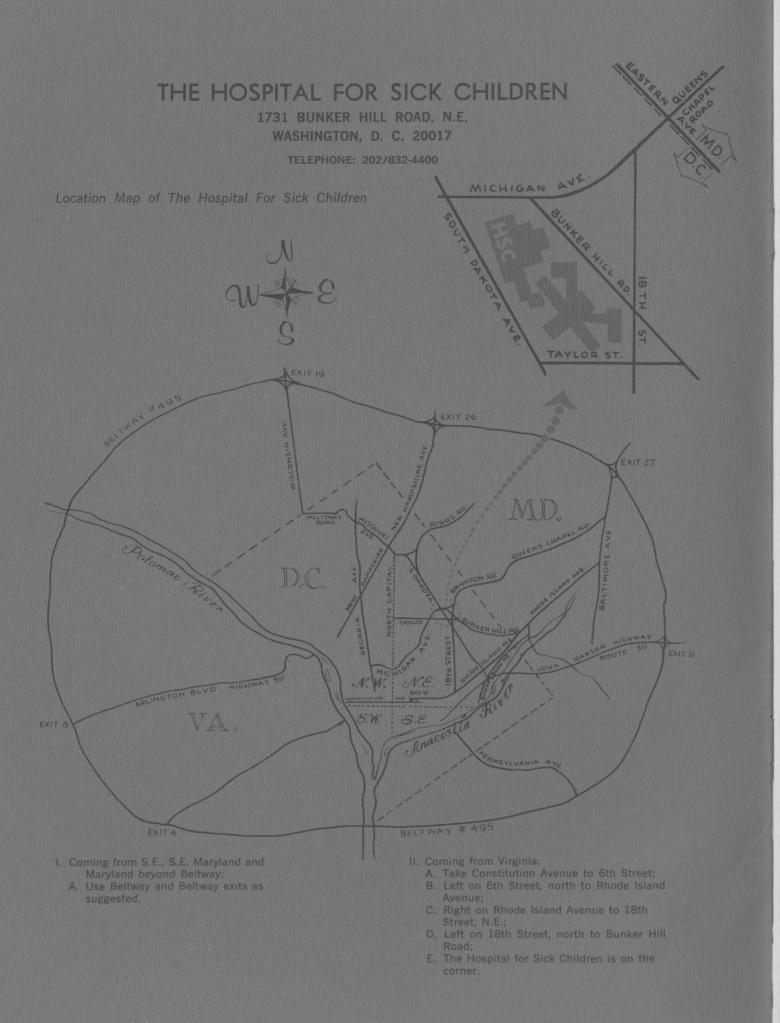
#### Mrs. Ford Helps at Hospital

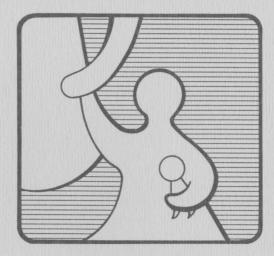
Washington (UPI) -- Betty Ford served punch and Christmas cookies to 61 youngsters at a Yuletide party at the Hospital for Sick Children Wednesday afternoon. She also took part in the presentation of a \$2,400 check to Dr. Arthur Azlein, President of the Hospital, a donation from the Naval Ship Engineering Center which has made the facility its charity. Mrs. Ford wore a red dress for the occasion and she spread her bounty among the children, staying on to see a performance by Alladin the Magician. Later Santa Clause, played by John Buck, Chairman of the Hospital's Christmas drive, pushed . in two laundry carts connected like a train and filled with gifts and toys for the children. Each of the children had written to Santa Clause telling what they wanted for Christmas, and Sears and Roebuck took it from there and filled their orders.



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#### INTERMEDIATE CARE

According to the Statement of Goals, The Hospital for Sick Children is a specialized hospital which provides *intermediate* care to infants, children and adolescents. Intermediate inpatient care meets the needs of children who require less than acute care, but much more than custodial care.

In addition to providing the usual expert hospital medical care, H.S.C. attempts to meet the emotional, social, educational, rehabilitative or habilitative, and recreational needs of the child through a comprehensive and integrated interdisciplinary approach.

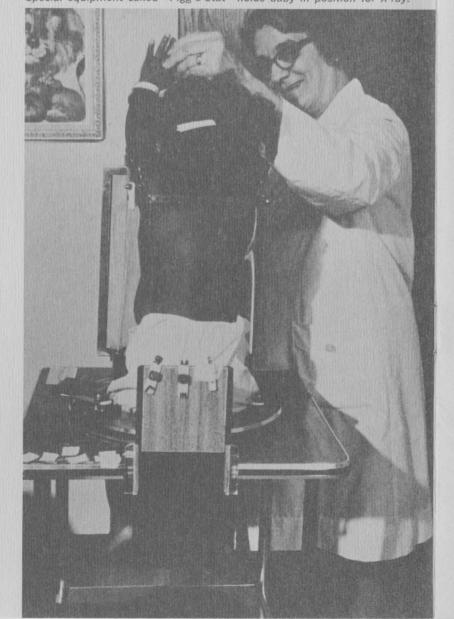
In the setting of intermediate care, attention is carefully given to the individual patterns of growth of each child as well as to the child's developmental needs, which may be even more complex than usual because of his or her medical, emotional, or social condition.

In this Hospital, a child is viewed as a whole child in the context of his own individuality, his family and community, avoiding the danger of unwarranted preoccupation with his medical problem.

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Special equipment called "Pigg-o-Stat" holds baby in position for X-ray.



#### HISTORY

ton, D.C. decided to provide a fresh air summer home for children living in the tenements and poor housing areas of the District.

By the spring of 1883 they found a house "behind Georgetown, a little off from the road to Tennaly Town, with a beautiful oak woods." They leased the place for one year and on June 14, 1883, opened their doors to the first six children. They called it the Children's Country Home.

Such was the success of this venture that their summer census grew from 6 children to 257 children (for a two week stay) in the first five years. At the end of each summer there would be a long waiting list of youngsters who had not been able to be admitted. They had outgrown their first location.

The Children's Country Home was incorporated in 1888 and moved to Grant Road on "the West Side of Rock Creek Park." There for forty years it continued to function as a wholesome, strengthening, summer experience for inner city children.

The Children's Country Home grew in many special ways, for it was soon apparent that not only and type of care needed. deprived children needed a summer experience but the Home was asked to take many crippled and chronically ill children who "needed care they could not receive elsewhere." Finally in 1928 the Home realized that most of these children could not be sent home at the end of two weeks or even at the end of the summer, so the Children's Convalescent Home came into being, offering year round care to these sick children.

What was needed was a new facility designed especially for convalescents. A beautiful site of

In 1882 a group of young women in Washing- six acres at the corner of Bunker Hill Road and 18th Street, N.E. was purchased in 1929 and appropriate plans were drawn.

> The "new building" on Bunker Hill Road was completed and opened July 1930, offering in addition to year round care, expanded and highly professional services. It acquired the role of a Hospital while keeping the relaxed, informal, friendly Home atmosphere. It now employed its own nursing and medical staffs, social worker, teacher, dietician, held training classes for nursery aides, and was one of the outstanding child health-care facilities of its time.

> But progress makes urgent demands on a Hospital; two more wings were added in 1950 and by the mid-sixties plans were being made for a new patient care building to be constructed on the west side of the existing building.

> The new building was officially dedicated and opened September 25, 1968 and includes the latest specifications for intermediate care. It contains 80 beds, grouped in units by age, sex,

> As the services were updated to meet the changing needs in pediatrics the name was changed to The Hospital for Sick Children.

So as of 1968, we had a new name, a new 80bed facility and a future that pushed all walls to new boundaries. The concept of intermediate care is designed to fill a heretofore unmet need in health care services for children. The child who requires hospital care but does not have to lie in bed, now has a facility to meet his needs.

#### STATEMENT OF GOALS

It shall be the function and goals of the Hospital:

#### SERVICES

To render to individuals, families and the community comprehensive health services for infants, children and adolescents requiring intermediate care, taking into account community needs, the legitimate interests and abilities of other providers of care, and the Hospital's ability to establish and sustain programs of high quality to support a high standard of community health. These services shall include: diagnosis, treatment, care, rehabilitation, education, personal development and research. They shall be carried out in a manner which respects human dignity.

#### COMMUNITY

To serve all economic, racial and religious groups, from ages one (1) week to nineteen (19) years, without distinction or discrimination as economically feasible within the Hospital community areas. First, in that area which by geography and proximity of alternate opportunities for service, can reasonably be expected to relate to the Hospital. This area is perceived as the District of Columbia and surrounding Maryland and Virginia communities. Second, when possible to serve beyond these boundaries to the extent certain programs are unique or are deemed to be needed.

#### ASSETS

To maintain in a safe, functional and aesthetically pleasing condition all real property and hospital equipment required for the performance of the Hospital's mission. To increase real property and hospital equipment in accordance with the priorities inherent in approved goals and objectives, in keeping with financial ability.

#### FINANCING

To preserve the fiscal integrity of the Corporation by adherence to sound financial management principles and practices, including the maintenance of appropriate records and conduct of audit, and the maintenance of services which in the aggregate shall be self-supporting, including recovery of direct and indirect costs, depreciation, debt service, bad debts and allowances, and a factor to assist in the generation of new capital for growth and development.

#### PERSONNEL

To attract, develop, and retain competent personnel regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin. To maintain competitive wages and benefits. To challenge personnel to excellence and high standards of productivity. To support educational and professional endeavors designed to improve the effectiveness of personnel, and those programs determined to be in the community interest, particularly those which will develop or enhance needed skills. To promote and provide medical education and to conduct research related to the services provided by the Hospital.

#### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

To operate for and in the public interest and to offer a periodic accounting of stewardship, both as to services and finances. To encourage public acceptance of and reliance on the Hospital's facilities and programs, by appropriate reporting of services and achievements of all potentially interested citizens and groups. To encourage donations of time, funds and other resources as additional means of providing patient care.

#### PROGRAM STATEMENT

According to the "Statement of Goals," The Hospital for Sick Children is a specialized hospital which provides intermediate care to infants, children and adolescents. Intermediate inpatient care meets the needs of children who require less than acute care, but much more than custodial care. In addition to providing the usual expert hospital medical care, H.S.C. attempts to meet the emotional, social, educational, rehabilitative or habilitative, and recreational needs of the child through a comprehensive and integrated interdisciplinary approach. In the setting of intermediate care, attention is carefully given to the individual patterns of growth of each child as well as to the child's development needs, which may be even more complex than usual because of his or her medical, emotional, or social condition. In this Hospital, a child is viewed as a whole child in the context of his own individuality, his family and community, avoiding the danger of unwarranted preoccupation with

his medical problem alone. Diseases of the following systems requiring intermediate care are treated:

Cardio-respiratory Endocrine Gastro-intestinal Genito-urinary Hematological

Integumentary Neurological-including special senses Skeleto-muscular

Examples of the types of disorders that can be admitted to our facility are:

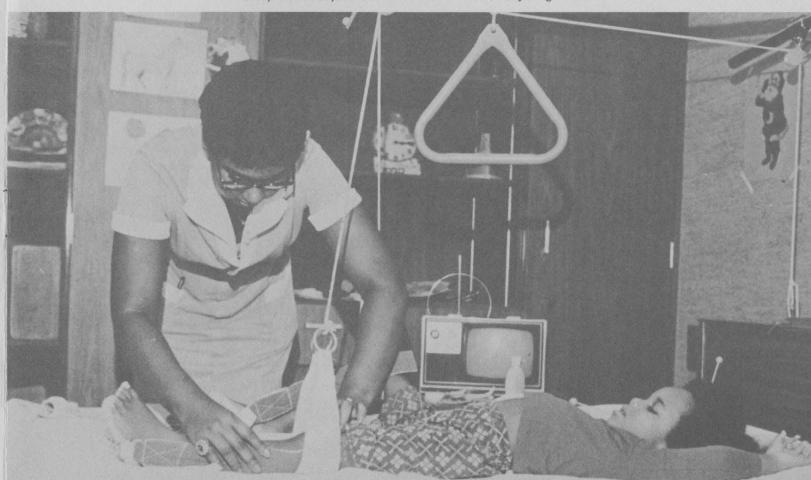
Vascular Diseases Asthma Birth Defects Blood Diseases Burns Cerebral Palsy

Chronic Bronchitis Congenital Heart Disease Diabetes

Arthritis and Other Collagen Failure to Thrive Lead Poisoning Paraplegia and Quadriplegia Post Fractures Post Spinal Fusions Post-Operative Tumors-Cord or Brain Psychiatric Disorders Rheumatic Fever Traumas

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Group Mother adjusts traction to ease tension on boy's leg in cast.



and other conditions requiring intermediate care as approved by the Hospital.

This multidisciplinary approach provides the services of staff pediatricians and medical consultants in all child speciality areas in an eighty (80) bed intermediate care environment.

Physicians in private practice or staff physicians at other hospitals are encouraged to refer their patients to our staff or to admit and care for their patients themselves.

Our Hospital staff provides its services through closely knit teamwork and an interdisciplinary approach. The services of the entire Hospital focus on the treatment of the whole child. Individualization of each patient is achieved by thorough knowledge and study of the medical, social and emotional workup of each child. The staff pediatricians and consulting physicians work closely with staff members to improve their skill and understanding in working with the children and in the continuing development of the therapeutic milieu.

The Nursing Service provides a high standard of individual personal service combined with intelligent mothering characterized by love, sympathy and understanding. Our nurses have been trained in acute pediatric hospitals.

One of the unique programs our Hospital provides is our Group Mother Program and it is one of the strongest medicines we have in promoting healthy emotional and developmental growth of our children. It is axiomatic that medical or surgical treatment efforts may fail or be destructive unless adequate human relationships are available to assist in the developmental process of children.

The Therapeutic Play Program under activity leaders and aides provides the opportunity for each child in both individual and group activity to develop physically, socially and emotionally. It is geared toward development and maintenance of ego strengths, peer and adult relationships and constructive group experience in the art of living.

Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Hearing Therapy provide maximum habilitation and rehabilitation for the handicapped child.

Psychology supports the therapeutic milieu and provides treatment and diagnostic evaluation.

Social Casework Services are directed toward alleviating the social and emotional problems in the child's total environment which may interfere with effective care and negate the successful recovery and maintenance of the child's physical and emotional health after discharge. Our services include direct contact with parents.

The Educational Program encourages academic maintenance and progress in order to avoid the interruption which can result from illness. The use of diagnostic tools, formal classroom experience, both within and outside the Hospital, individual tutoring and follow-up educational placement minimize the effects of interruption in the normal educational development of each patient.

Diagnostic X-ray, Clinical Laboratory, Pulmonary Laboratory, Inhalation Therapy and Pharmacy Services provide an important adjunct to the pediatricians and consultants in facilitating diagnosis and treatment.

The Hospital also conducts research in chronic respiratory diseases utilizing an Environmental Control Unit.

The Hospital Staff is acutely aware of the effects of separation from the home necessitated by hospitalization. Each child's treatment plan is designed to involve the family and community aspects thus minimizing the effects of long-term childhood illness.

An Outpatient Facility offering appropriate follow-up and certain diagnostic outpatient services is available. The Michigan Park Medical Associates, a group of Hospital for Sick Children Staff Physicians offer regular physicians office service, diagnosis and treatment. Prescriptions may be filled at the Hospital Pharmacy. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. weekdays and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday. Physical therapy, occupational therapy, psychiatry, X-ray, speech and hearing therapy, pulmonary function laboratory and clinical laboratory services are also available to serve the community on an outpatient basis. Appointments may be made by direct phone, 832-2942 or through the Hospital switchboard, 832-4400.



Physical Therapist helps young patients with daily exercises on the mat.

Care Program for mentally retarded children from six to thirteen years of age on a 9-3 schedule, Monday through Friday, year around. It offers training and therapy to develop physical-motor skills, communication, adaptive, social and emotional development.

The program also involves parents so that they may reinforce positive behavior at home and obtain a realistic understanding of their child's potential.

A Day Care Program for emotionally disturbed children of 6-8 hours with counseling is also being conducted at the Hospital.

The Hospital provides a Day Care Program for multiple physically handicapped children. This program seeks to provide a stimulating environment and to determine a pattern of functioning for each child in an effort to ameliorate his handicaps. It offers a prescriptive diagnostic therapeutic treatment service within his potential of performance. It also includes parent counseling and training to reinforce at home what the child learns at the school and to help parents understand and cope with their child's multiple handicaps.

An agreement with Children's Hospital and George Washington University Medical Center extends the use of existing intermediate care

The Hospital for Sick Children conducts a Day facilities of The Hospital for Sick Children and avoids duplication of services among the three area hospitals. Patients who are past the acute phases of their illnesses, yet unable to be cared for at home, are referred for intermediate care at The Hospital for Sick Children or, those with chronic conditions may be admitted to prevent an acute situation from developing.

> The agreement also includes an understanding of joint planning and providing more utilization of educational resources for teaching programs.

> The Hospital is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals and is licensed by the District of Columbia and holds memberships in the American Hospital Association, the Maryland-District of Columbia-Delaware Hospital Association, and the Hospital Council of the National Capital Area. The Hospital is a Blue Cross participating hospital and participates in the Medicaid Program of the District of Columbia and has contracts for services with the District of Columbia and Suburban Maryland and Virginia Counties.

> The Hospital for Sick Children abides by all federal legislation which prohibits discrimination of its membership on its Board of Trustees, Medical Staff and Employee Staff or in the treatment of its patients by the staff regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.

# Patient's Bill of Rights

Approved by the American Hospital Association and endorsed by our Hospital:

The patient (parent or legal guardian\*) has the right to considerate and respectful care.

The patient has the right to obtain from his physician complete current information concerning his diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis in terms the patient can be reasonably expected to understand. When it is not medically advisable to give such information to the patient, the information should be made available to an appropriate person in his behalf. He has the right to know by name, the physician responsible for coordinating his care.

The patient has the right to receive from his physician information necessary to give informed consent to the start of any procedure and/or treatment. Except in emergencies, such information for informed consent, should include but not necessarily be limited to the specific procedure and/or treatment, the medically significant risks involved, and the probable duration of incapacitation. Where medically significant alternatives for care or treatment exist, or when the patient requests information concerning medical alternatives, the patient has the right to such information. The patient also has the right to know the name of the person responsible for the procedures and/or treatment.

The patient has the right to refuse treatment to the extent permitted by law, and to be informed of the medical consequences of his action.

The patient has the right to every consideration of his privacy concerning his own medical care program. Case discussion, consultation, examination, and treatment are confidential and should be conducted discreetly. Those not directly involved in his care must have the permission of the patient to be present.

The patient has the right to expect that all communications and records pertaining to his care should be treated as confidential.

The patient has the right to expect that within its capacity a hospital must make

reasonable response to the request of a patient for services. The hospital must provide evaluation, service, and/or referral as indicated by the urgency of the case. When medically permissible a patient may be transferred to another facility only after he has received complete information and explanation concerning the needs for and alternatives to such a transfer. The institution to which the patient is to be transferred must first have accepted the patient for transfer.

The patient has the right to obtain information as to any relationship of his hospital to other health care and educational institutions insofar as his care is concerned. The patient has the right to obtain information as to the existence of any professional relationship among individuals, by name, who are treating him.

The patient has the right to be advised if the hospital proposes to engage in or perform human experimentation affecting his care or treatment. The patient has the right to refuse to participate in such research projects.

The patient has the right to expect reasonable continuity of care. He has the right to know in advance what appointment times and physicians are available and where. The patient has the right to expect that the hospital will provide a mechanism whereby he is informed by his physician or a delegate of the physician of the patient's continuing health care requirements following discharge.

The patient has the right to examine and receive an explanation of his bill regardless of source of payment.

The patient has the right to know what hospital rules and regulations apply to his conduct as a patient.

No catalogue of rights can guarantee for the patient the kind of treatment he has a right to expect. A hospital has many functions to perform, including the prevention and treatment of disease, the education of both health professionals and patients, and the conduct of clinical research. All these activities must be conducted with an overriding concern for the patient, and, above all, the recognition of his dignity as a human being. Success in achieving this recognition assures success in the defense of the rights of the patient.

#### MESSAGE TO PARENTS

From the moment your child enters The Hospital for Sick Children, our primary concern is to prepare for the time when he or she will be well enough to be discharged. Our experience tells us, however, that the healing and rehabilitation process for many of our young patients may be long and sometimes difficult. Successful treatment of your child's medical problem requires your close personal support and the utmost professional skill on the part of our staff.

We realize how difficult it is to leave your child in a hospital away from home, relatives and friends. Throughout this separation we wish to communicate regularly with you about your child's care and progress.

You should feel free to ask the physicians, social workers and nurses who staff our Hospital any questions you wish regarding our child's hospital routine, physical condition and course of treatment. They wish to give your child every attention, including the finest medical care, and the affection and friendly reassurance all children need.

Our sincere desire is to help your child attain the most complete recovery, rehabilitation and habilitation. We welcome the opportunity to serve you and suggest that both you and your child visit our Hospital prior to admission.

#### REFERRALS

The physician who is caring for a child will call the Admitting Office to familiarize the Hospital with the child's condition. The Hospital's Admission Team consists of a Hospital Physician, the Director of Nursing and the Director of Admissions. They will collect all medical, social and financial information from the parents and the child's physician. Our staff will maintain a continuous contact with your physician and together they will determine the best course of treatment of the child. We encourage parents, physician, social worker and above all the prospective patient to visit the Hospital prior to admission.

When a decision for acceptance is made, the Admitting Office will contact the parents and arrange a suitable day for admission. Parents will be informed of any special items they may need to bring with the child and will be asked about the financial arrangements for their child's care at the Hospital. They will also be given a list of clothing which their child will need during his stay.

# Social Workers hold sessions in Group Psychotherapy twice a week.

#### PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR THE HOSPITAL

Anticipation of a new experience usually creates anxiety, and coming to a hospital for intermediate care can be such an experience. It is important, therefore, to tell your child the truth about why he is coming to this Hospital. Our Social Service Department will be glad to offer advice about how to prepare yourself and your child for this event.

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<sup>\*</sup> Hereinafter referred to as patient only.

Give him facts in a simple straightforward manner according to his age and personality. The way in which your child is told may be more meaningful than what he is told, for children are sensitive to an adult's anxiety or ease and selfconfidence. Your child needs encouragement. He will get along better if he knows what to expect. Be honest and reassuring; explain that the doctors, nurses and others are here to help him get well and make a good recovery. Your child should know about your visiting plans, or any changes you may make in your schedule in order to day, you will first meet with a member of the prevent disappointment.

Promote your child's interest in the Hospital by telling him that he will be among other children. Some children need to be in beds, some are in wheel chairs, most, however, usually get up and dress, eat, play and go to school together. In addition to doctors and nurses, there are many other people here at the Hospital who will get to know him and who are interested in helping him return home as soon as possible.

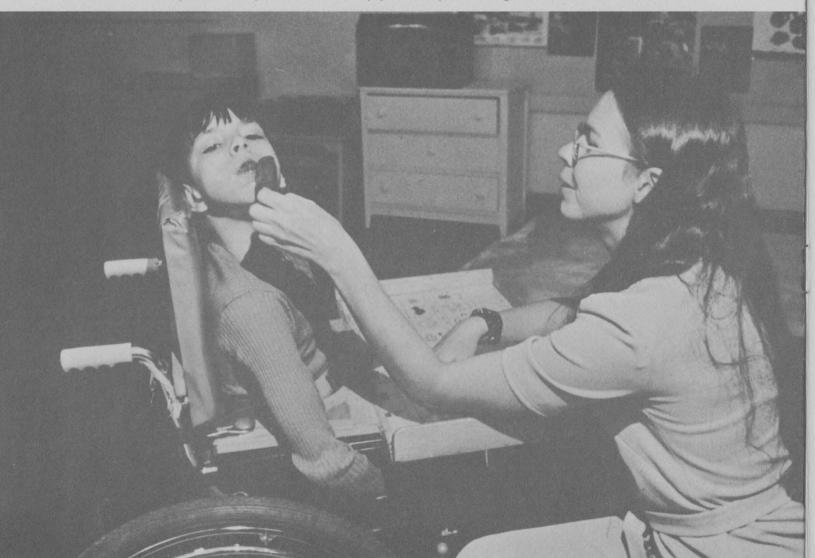
It is important to the Hospital staff's understanding and treatment of your child to know his individual characteristics. It would be helpful for you to prepare a list of these to include, for example, his or her nickname; eating, toilet and sleeping habits; and any other facts you feel may help us make your child's hospitalization a more pleasant one.

#### ON ADMISSION DAY

When you and your child arrive on admission Admissions Office who will ask you to complete the necessary paperwork. You will have the opportunity to discuss all financial aspects of your child's admission. Hospital personnel will be available to answer any questions you have.

When the admissions procedure is completed, a nurse will escort you and your child to his room. You will meet the nursing staff who will care for your child. A physician will talk with you, obtain a medical history and examine your child.

Occupational Therapist uses sherbet lollipop to develop use of tongue and mouth muscles.



#### REQUIRED CLOTHING

#### Infants-Up to 1 Year Shoes . . . . . . . . 1 pair

Dresses or pant sets . . . 4 Outer coat and hat . . . . 1

#### Children-1-5 Years

Undershirts	3					6
Underpants						6
Nightwear						6
Socks-pai	rs					6
Dresses or	par	nt s	ets			6
Slippers						1
Bathrobe						1
Outer coat	and	d ha	at			1

#### Children-6 to 18 Years

Nightwear				. 4	S	ets
Slippers				. 1	p	aiı
Shoes .				. 1	. р	aiı
Bathrobe						1
Casual clo	thi	ng		. 4	S	ets
Underpant	S				1	4
Undershirt	S					4

The above !ist is modified according to patient's individual needs. All clothing must be labeled with a laundry marker with the child's first initials and last name. The Hospital will launder your child's clothes. Serviceable clothing is recommended (wash and dry type fabrics).

A check list will be filled out on your child's clothing on admission and discharge by the nursing

The Hospital cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage to personal items.

#### TOYS

The Hospital provides toys for general use. However, your child should be encouraged to select and bring with him a favorite toy, book or game. It should be marked and be safe for

use. Please check with your child's nurse about appropriate playthings.

#### VISITING

Visiting hours are 3 P.M. to 8 P.M. daily. Only two visitors may visit a patient at a time.

No children under 16 years are permitted to visit on the units or on the Hospital grounds for health reasons.

Visiting may be restricted in some cases. You will be informed if there are special reasons for visiting to be limited to your child by the social worker or head nurse.

#### MAIL

In addition to your visits and telephone calls, there is nothing like getting a card or letter from home, or from friends and relatives. This is true particularly for children who must remain here for long periods of time and whose homes may be some distance from the Hospital. The mailing address: The Hospital for Sick Children, 1731 Bunker Hill Road, N.E., Washington, D. C. 20017.

#### TV, RADIO, STEREO

Television sets, radios and record players are provided by the Hospital in all Hospital units. It is not necessary for parents to bring in sets for their children. Should sets be brought into the Hospital, they will be stored in the child's room until such time as they might be taken home.

#### SPIRITUAL

We understand that you and your child may feel the need of spiritual guidance and meditation during his hospitalization. You may request that your own clergyman visit your child. Or, if you wish, arrangements will be made for a local clergyman to visit regularly with your child at the Hospital.

#### OTHER RULES

You are reminded not to bring food for your child during his hospital stay. Check with the nurse in charge for more information regarding this.

Toys and games must be restricted to 3 per child, as each child has a small area for toy storage. All toys and games must be checked by the nurse in charge before they are given to the child for safety reasons.

Examples: Some toys have sharp edges and are dangerous—may cut the child or injure the eye, etc. Stuffed toys may aggravate allergies and cause wheezing and asthma in some children. Small toys and parts of a game can be swallowed.

If you wish to see your child's doctor during visiting hours, please inform the nurse in charge and she will arrange this.

Do not take your child away from the unit, visiting is restricted to the units.

Please leave the units promptly at the end of visiting hours which will be announced.

#### PARENTS' FACILITIES

the Hospital. There are motels nearby.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

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Our "want list" has a whole project or a single item, something to fit every interested donor's wallet. The wide range of choices may offer one which appeals to you or to an organization of which you are a member. If so, please contact our Community

Our motto, "Everyone has Someone to Care" may mean YOU. You may be the one who cares about our sick children, about the many services we provide for them, about the happy, healthy, future we are hoping for them.

If you are one who cares, there is a special envelope below for your convenience. We hope you are our SOMEONE TO CARE.



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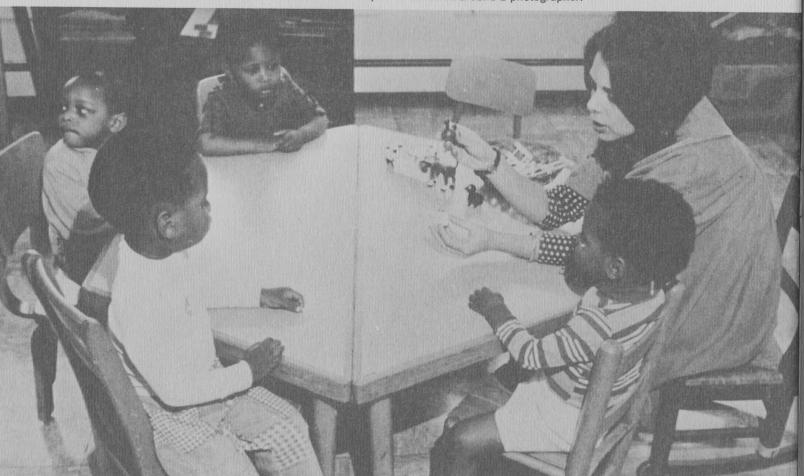
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# STARINEWS Sunday, May 12, 1974

### YOU'RE NEEDED

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## YOU'RE REWARDED

**You're needed** in many ways in many areas of The Hospital for Sick Children — everything from rocking a baby who needs a mother's shoulder to assisting in one of the patient service programs like Physical Therapy.

Extra pairs of hands find all kinds of loving things to do for children who are starved for attention. The toddler who clings to a weekly volunteer and keeps repeating "Mine, mine, mine" against the threats of others in his unit who want attention, too, makes every volunteer wish she were sextuplets.

Willing feet can escort patients to and from their various appointments in one of the therapies, to his preschool class or play group. Or for those who are in wheel chairs or on stretcher carts who must depend on someone else's feet getting them where they need or wish to go. Have you ever thought what it must be like to have to wait until a friend comes along to "hitch hike you" to your destination?

For those volunteers who are gifted in coaxing



Three little patients hoping that three volunteers will take them for their morning ride. This is just one of many places where you're needed.

sick children to eat or feeding those who cannot feed themselves, The Hospital for Sick Children needs this kind of help three times a day and at snack times in between.

We are always looking for volunteers with special skills: former Early Childhood or Special Education Teachers, those with Nursery or Sunday School experience, persons who are sportsoriented or have camping backgrounds, arts and

crafts talents, and homemaking. Volunteers are also needed in other than patient areas: clerical and typing; addressing, stuffing, sealing and mailing help; decorating and hostessing; driving the station wagon; telephone checking and many other similar tasks.

You're welcome in areas of service from out-



Harv Moore and his assistant Joannie Fierstein from radio station WPGC showing some patients how they raised nearly \$7,000 for H.S.C.

side the Hospital. Entertainment, activity programs, field trips, special interest events and seasonal parties are all most welcome diversions for our long-hospitalized children.

Sewing groups make much needed garments, knit warm babythings, even come on a regular schedule to mend the mountains of clothes our active, growing family of boys and girls seem to have waiting each week.

Other outside groups collect good used clothing, either from generous mothers whose chilldren have outgrown the apparel or from merchants who remember The Hospital for Sick Children. These clothing contributions are acknowledged with most sincere appreciation and a donor's receipt enclosed for tax purposes.

You're most welcome to phone and offer almost any kind of service that will add to the children's advancement, improvement or contentment.

You're rewarded with the smile and happiness of a grateful child, by the warm glow of having made the day a little brighter and a little shorter for children whose days are long and much the same.

You're rewarded with the good feeling that you are sharing yourself and your time where it is greatly appreciated, where you can know that you have contributed some of your own Godgiven talents for others to enjoy.

The Hospital for Sick Children does not have the traditional type of Women's Auxiliary. Rather there are Guilds and Project Groups who engage in many kinds of fund raising in our behalf. If you raise money you can know that it is being spent for high-priority needs to carry on the vital services of The Hospital for Sick Children, that it is spent wisely, with a careful eye for maximum utilization. After the hard work of benefit and project committees, this should be reassuring.

All volunteers, both inside and outside the Hospital, and all Guilds, Donors and Project Groups are honored in May at Annual Appreciation Day.

If you would like to **share your health** with a sick child, phone 202—832-4400 for information about our volunteer services.

If you would like to **share your wealth** to help a sick child, phone The Hospital for Sick Children for a list of high-priority needs, or mail your generous check to 1731 Bunker Hill Road, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017. It will be greatly appre-

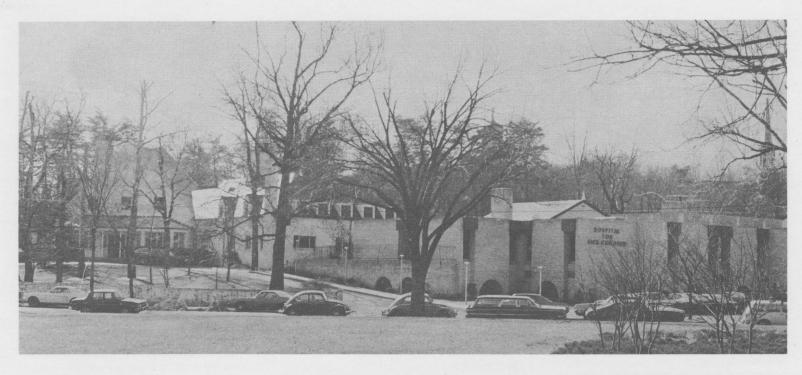


Jon Buck, perennial Santa Claus from the Naval Ship Engineering Center presents their annual Christmas check to Lorene Nagel, Community Relations Director, H.S.C.

ciated and is tax deductible.

Our business is helping sick children learn to live Life.

You and The Hospital for Sick Children should get together!



# UNIQUE

# **COMPLETE**

# **AVAILABLE**

The Hospital for Sick Children is unique in the National Capital Area as an "intermediate care" facility. In addition to the usual expert hospital medical care that one would expect, The Hospital for Sick Children also attempts to meet the emotional, social, educational, rehabilitative, habilitative and recreational needs of the child.

On the inpatient side there is a complete range of multidisciplinary services structured into each child's program. Medical; Nursing; Physical, Occupational and Speech and Hearing Therapies; Psychiatry, Education, Recreation and Social Services all have input into the planning of this program and all are a vital part of the team approach for which this Hospital is famous.

The Nursing Service provides a high standard of individual personal service combined with intelligent mothering characterized by love, sympathy and understanding. Our nurses have been trained in acute pediatric hospitals.

Recognizing the truism "The worst home is better than the best institution" and at the same time that for some children there is no alternative to intermediate hospitalization, The Hospital for Sick Children stresses the importance of reducing in any way possible the trauma of hospitalization for each child. This goal is accomplished through providing:

- a warm, loving and maternal environment,
- a stimulating and learning environment,
- and a constant environment insofar as possible.

Under the coordination of an early childhood education specialist, four Hospital programs attempt to meet these needs of each child from birth through age 5:

The Education Specialist provides a half-day nursery school stimulation program from 2-5 years.

The Occupational Therapy Department provides a program for children with developmental delay, functioning at the level of one year or younger.

The Activity Aides provide play programs for all children. Finally, the most important, the Nursing Department, in particular the Patient Care Aides, serve as mother-substitutes around-the-clock.

Psychiatry supports the therapeutic milieu and provides treatment and diagnostic evaluation.

Social Casework Services are directed toward alleviating the social and emotional problems in the child's total environment which may interfere with effective care and negate the successful recovery and maintenance of the child's physical and emotional health after discharge. Our services include direct contact with parents.

In addition to the programs described for infants through age 5, the Department of Education coordinates, beginning with pre-school, grade-level classroom curriculae provided by the Visiting Instructors Corps of the Special Education Department of the D.C. Public Schools.

The Hospital also conducts a day-care program for mentally retarded children from six to thirteen years of age on a 9-3 schedule, Monday through Friday, year-round. It offers training and therapy to develop physical-motor skills, communication, adaptive, social and emotional development.

Another day-care program is The Enrichment School for multiple physically-handicapped children from 18 months through 5 years. This program seeks to provide a stimulating environment and to determine a pattern of functioning for each child in an effort to ameliorate his or her handicaps. It offers a prescriptive, diagnostic-therapeutic treatment service which functions within the child's potential for performance.

All programs include counseling for parents so that they may reinforce positive behavior at home and obtain a realistic understanding of their child's potential.

Professional or community groups are cordially invited to visit the Hospital and to see these programs in action, or to phone for more complete details and answers to specific questions.

For additional information call the Medical Coordinator,

Constance U. Battle, M.D. 832-4400, extension 69

For Tours and/or Slide-Talk Program, call the Community Relations Department, 832-4400, extension 45 or 46.

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