The NIH Clinical Center

Research Highlights

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Clinical Center is the nation’s largest research hospital where the combined efforts of patients, medical teams and researchers have led to some of the largest medical advances in history. People come from all 50 states and globally seeking specialized diagnoses and treatments, often as a last resort, for critical illnesses and rare diseases.

The Clinical Center is home to many medical milestones, including the development of: chemotherapy for cancer, gene therapy, the detection and treatment of HIV/AIDS, and treating depression with lithium. Research teams are now at the forefront of developing the next generation of ground-breaking treatments including exciting new immunotherapies for cancer, stem cell transplants for Sickle Cell Disease, and gene therapies for a range of serious conditions.

92,000
Outpatient visits in 2017

4,500
Inpatient visits in 2017

1,600
Ongoing clinical research studies

Patients Served in Each Institute

8 of the 27 Institutes

NIH Institutes
- Cancer (NCI): 27
- Heart, Lung, and Blood (NHLBI): 14
- Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID): 10
- Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA): 6
- Mental Health (NIMH): 4
- Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK): 3
- Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR): 1
- Child Health and Human Development (NICHD): 1

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