

UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, HÔTEL-DIEU DE FRANCE (HDF)

Hôtel-Dieu de France (HDF) is a nonprofit university medical center, legally recognized and operating with full administrative and financial autonomy. Built by the French government in 1911, it was entrusted to the Saint Joseph University of Beirut in 1984 under a renewable 50-year lease.

Its comprehensive mission includes serving as a teaching hospital that contributes to the training of various healthcare professionals, including doctors, pharmacists, nurses, physiotherapists, laboratory technicians, medical imaging specialists, social workers, speech and language therapists, and psychologists accredited by the University.

The university medical center welcomes all patients without distinction and offers medical consultations in its outpatient clinics. It serves as a hub of excellence, staying abreast of the latest medical advancements to benefit the public at both national and regional levels.

HDF includes multiple specialized and surgical departments, as well as inpatient units. It also features a wide range of intensive care units, including coronary, neonatal, pediatric, medical resuscitation, and post-operative cardiac ICUs.

It has imaging rooms equipped with advanced technologies such as X-ray, MRI, and interventional radiology. Moreover, it features a cardiac catheterization and lithotripsy laboratory, an endoscopy center, and several testing centers. The hospital is notably equipped with a linear particle accelerator for radiotherapy and a nuclear imaging center.

HDF comprises 380 beds, among which 43 are allocated for intensive care. Its staff includes over 150 physicians, 115 surgeons, 450 nurses, 250 resident physicians, and 150 medical interns. Annually, it handles 22,000 emergency cases and admits over 25,000 patients.

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