



## AT THE UVA MEDICAL CENTER INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

1. **“Where is the closest place to stay?”** There are three hotels within walking distance of the Hospital: **Red Roof Inn** (434-925-4333), **Hampton Inn and Suites** (434-923-8600), **Courtyard Marriott** (434-977-1700). Several local hotels may offer discounted rates for UVA patients and their families, please inquire when making your reservation. For a list of additional hotels or more information on lodging, please visit the Lodging Services website: <http://www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/internet/lodging-services/>

The UVA Health System provides **Hospitality Houses and Apartments** as homes away from home for our patients and families and for outpatients who need to be near our medical services. Our smoke-free houses feature a kitchen, laundry facility, a TV lounge, shared rooms and baths. Families staying bed side with a patient are welcome to use the houses, at no charge, for laundry, showering, cooking and resting. A referral from Medical Center staff is required for reservations. Please call 434-924-5722.

The **Ronald McDonald House** in Charlottesville is close to our hospital and offers families of our pediatric patients a fully equipped kitchen, playroom, "quiet" living room and a recreation deck. For information, call 434-295-6412.

2. **“Where is the closest pharmacy?”** A 24-hour CVS Pharmacy (434-293-5346) is located at Barracks Road Shopping Center, 2 miles north on Emmet Street (Route 29 North.) Another CVS Pharmacy is located on Charlottesville’s Downtown Mall, 1 mile east on Main Street.
3. **“I need a break! Any suggestions?”** Have you thought of looking around ‘Mr. Jefferson’s University?’ The UVA Rotunda is a quick walk up University Avenue on the left. The general public is welcome to explore UVA Grounds as well as its walled gardens. Where a garden gate is open, you can just walk in and enjoy!

For a more formal introduction to UVA, free guided tours of the Rotunda and Lawn are provided year-round, except over Thanksgiving and during the three-week holiday break in December/January. Tours meet daily at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., and 4 p.m. at the Rotunda entrance facing the Lawn. Tours are accessible to those in wheelchairs, and interpreters are available for the hearing impaired by pre-arrangement. Foreign language brochures are available, and with advance notice, special tours may be arranged with a guide fluent in Spanish, German or French. The Rotunda provides brochures with walking tours of the Academical Village, the Rotunda, and the Pavilion Gardens. Call (434) 924-7969 for more information.

4. **“Where are the closest stores and restaurants?”** Located in the hospital lobby, our Gift Shop (434-924-2447) offers a variety of gifts, snacks, flowers, cards, books, balloons, phone cards and toiletries. It is open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. All profits from the shop are used to enhance patient care at UVA. The University of Virginia Bookstore (1-800-759-4667) is located above the Central Grounds Parking Garage on Emmet Street. It is an excellent source of books, souvenirs, and information about the University and surrounding area. The bookstore offers a section on local authors, texts and picture books about Charlottesville and the University of Virginia, as well as UVA memorabilia.

The Corner district features a variety of restaurants, cafes and shops across the street from University Central Grounds. Among other things, the Corner offers food and beverages, books, music, clothing and gifts as well as night spots. Barracks Road Shopping Center offers a 24-hour Harris Teeter supermarket, a 24-hour CVS pharmacy and a variety of other chain stores. It is a quick, 2-mile drive north on Emmet Street (Route 29 North) on the left. Charlottesville’s historic Downtown Mall offers another option that is relatively close by. The Downtown Mall is approximately 1 mile east down Main Street from the University. This outdoor pedestrian mall features various restaurants, antiques and gift shops as well as a movie theater.

5. **“Where is the closest gas station/ service station?”** If you’re just looking for gas during regular business hours, the Cherry Avenue Market is around the corner from the hospital. Turn left out of the parking garage, left again at the stop sign, right on Roosevelt Brown Boulevard, and left at the lights onto Cherry Ave. The gas station will be on your left at 701 Cherry Ave. There is a 24-hour **Amoco** station at the end of Jefferson Park Ave./Fontaine Ave. Turn right out of the parking garage, left at the light onto JPA, bear left at the next set of lights to continue on JPA, drive through another set of lights where JPA becomes Fontaine Ave, and the Amoco will be another block on your left. Two full-service garages are situated on the right at the intersection just before the Amoco. Fry’s Spring Exxon (434-979-2160), and Ernie’s Fry’s Spring Service Station (434-296-4006). Ernie’s does NOT sell gas.
6. **“Where is the closest Laundromat?”** The Cherry Avenue Laundromat (434-977-5461) is around the corner from the hospital. Turn left out of the parking garage, left again at the stop sign, right on the 9th-10th St. connection, and left at the lights onto Cherry Ave. The Laundromat will be on your left at 601 Cherry Ave.
7. **“Where is the closest post office?”** The United States Postal Service is located at the Barracks Road shopping center, which is a quick drive north on Emmett Street (Route 29 North) on the left. It is located behind Richey & Co. shoes near Goody’s Family Clothing.
8. **“Where can we get something to eat late at night?”** Vending machines are available around the clock in the University Hospital Cafeteria and on the hospital’s 5th-floor patio. Littlejohn’s New York Delicatessen (434-977-0588) is a 24-hour sandwich shop on the UVA Corner (University Avenue.)
9. **“How do I find out about Community Resources for Events, Meetings, Being a Tourist, etc.”** Visit us at Patient and Guest Services in the Hospital Lobby or call 434-924-1122 or UVa Health Resource Center in the West Complex Lobby or call 434-924-5000. OR Log onto the UVA Health System Webpage, click on the “Patient and Family” toolbar.

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