

- 1. What is the total Shrine membership?**
More than 411,000.
- 2. How many Shrine Temples are there?**
There are 191 Shrine Temples, or chapters, throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Republic of Panama.
- 3. What was the first Shrine Temple?**
Mecca Shriners, organized in New York City in 1872.
- 4. When did the first Shriners Hospital open, and where is it located?**
In 1922, in Shreveport, La.
- 5. Where are the Shriners Hospitals located that provide burn care?**
Galveston, Texas, (opened in 1966); Cincinnati (opened in 1968); Boston (opened in 1968); and Sacramento, Calif., (opened in 1997).
- 6. Where are the Shriners Hospitals located that provide spinal cord injury care?**
Philadelphia (opened in 1980); Chicago (opened in 1983); and Sacramento, Calif., (originally opened in San Francisco in 1984).
- 7. What is the purpose of Shriners Hospitals for Children?**
1) TREATMENT: To provide the highest quality care, encouraging the best recovery possible; 2) RESEARCH: To conduct research in orthopaedics, burns and spinal cord injury, leading to improvements in quality of care and life; 3) EDUCATION: To train medical professionals in the treatment of orthopaedic disabilities, spinal cord injuries and burns.
- 8. How much does it cost for a child to receive care at a Shriners Hospital?**
Nothing. All care and services at Shriners Hospitals are provided totally without charge to the patient or family.
- 9. Where does the money come from to operate the 22 Shriners Hospitals?**
Gifts, bequests, income from the endowment fund, hospital fundraising events and the annual assessment paid by every Shriner.
- 10. What is the total 2006 budget for Shriners Hospitals for Children?**
\$649 million. The 2006 operating budget is \$616 million, including \$33 million for research. The capital expenditures budget is \$33 million.
- 11. How much of the 2006 Shriners Hospitals operating budget is used directly for patient care and research at the hospitals?**
Approximately 93 percent.
- 12. To date, how much money has been spent operating the 22 Shriners Hospitals?**
Approximately \$7.6 billion.
- 13. To date, how much has been spent on construction costs for the 22 Shriners Hospitals?**
Over \$1.73 billion.
- 14. To date, how many children have been helped at the 22 Shriners Hospitals?**
More than 800,000.
- 15. In 2005, how many admissions were made to the orthopaedic hospitals?**
24,384
- 16. In 2005, how many admissions were made to the burn hospitals?**
3,634
- 17. In 2005, how many outpatient, out-reach and telemedicine clinic visits were recorded at the 22 hospitals?**
305,445
- 18. Up to what age are children admitted to Shriners Hospitals for Children?**
Up to their 18th birthday.
- 19. What is the average length of stay at the orthopaedic hospitals?**
4.1 days
- 20. What is the average length of stay at the burn hospitals?**
4.7 days