## HÔTEL-DIEU DE FRANCE

Hôtel-Dieu de France (HDF) is a university medical center and a nonprofit institution endowed with a legal and moral personality, as well as administrative and financial autonomy. It was built by the French government in 1911 and transferred to the Saint Joseph University of Beirut in 1984 under a long-term lease agreement, renewable every 50 years.

Its mission is versatile, 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 hospital is an institution that 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 advancements in the medical field to benefit the public at both national and regional levels.

HDF encompasses multiple specialized departments, surgical departments and inpatient units. It also features versatile intensive care units, coronary care units, neonatal intensive care units, pediatric intensive care units, medical resuscitation, and post-operative cardiac intensive care units.

It has imaging rooms equipped with state-of-the-art technologies such as X-ray, MRI, interventional radiology, among others. 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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