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Clinical research volunteers from around the world travel to the NIH Clinical Center to take part in medical investigations that save lives and offer hope for better health and health care for all. The Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge is a remarkable resource, providing an ideal environment for families during what can be an extremely stressful time. We are very fortunate our patients and their loved ones have such a wonderful place to stay while they partner with us on our research studies.

— Dr. John I. Gallin
NIH Clinical Center director

During the past three years my wife has been a patient on the surgical oncology unit of the Clinical Center for seven difficult hospitalizations, including several stays in the Intensive Care Unit. My family and I have been fortunate to have been able to stay at the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge, which is located across the street from the Clinical Center. The Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge is a sanctuary, a refuge. The staff is always warm and welcoming; the atmosphere is caring, quiet and a real ‘home away from home.’ I’ve had many conversations at the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge with other family members and friends of patients who are being treated for a serious illness at the NIH. We are all so grateful to have the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge available to us. The Clinical Center and especially the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge are models of medical practice for patients and their families at the highest imaginable level.

— Jerry Meyer
A guest at the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge
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The Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge offers a home-like place of respite—free of charge—for families and loved ones of adult patients who are receiving care at the NIH Clinical Center. Sometimes patients themselves also stay at the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge. Patients come here from across the nation and around the world to participate as partners in medical discovery. Usually they are experiencing serious illness and undergoing intensive medical treatments. Of course their families and loved ones need to be nearby.

The Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge can be the families’ home away from home during these difficult times by providing space for solitude, family meetings and fellowship. Support for family needs and routines is paramount, in a location just steps away from the NIH Clinical Center.

Guests are comforted by knowing that their loved ones are close by if they are needed, and yet guests are distant enough to experience periods of relaxation, rejuvenation and supportive fellowship.

Imagine such a gift to families and loved ones during treatment at the world-renowned NIH, and you imagine the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge.

The Fellowship Hall at the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge

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The Claudio and Evelyne Cohen garden and an English-park-like setting around the Edmond J. Safra Family Lodge’s exterior provides guests with a place of rest and refuge from their day-to-day concerns.