Staying at Ronald McDonald House!

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I am going to be staying at the Ronald McDonald House!

When I am not at the hospital, I will be able to do a lot of fun things at the House.

It is going to be really fun!

When we arrive at Ronald McDonald House, we will park in the parking lot. If the lot is full, we may need to park in the garage.

During Check-In, we may need to sit in a room for a little while so we can sign some paperwork. There are going to be toys to play with. We will be quiet and listen.
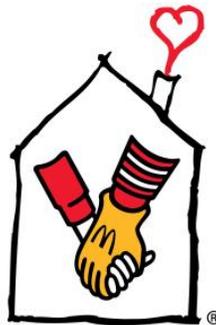
While at the Ronald McDonald House, I will stay with my family. If I get separated from my family, I can ask a Ronald McDonald House staff member or volunteer for help. They will be wearing a name badge with gray or blue writing.

During nighttime and early in the morning, we will try to be quiet. Other families are trying to sleep, and we do not want to disturb them.

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When we get to the kitchen for meals, we will stay together and be patient. There may be a lot of people in the dining room and a long line. We may need to wait for our turn to get food.

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The kitchen is a great place to make our own delicious meals, treats and get some snacks. We will clean up after we are done so other people can enjoy it too.

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The Ronald McDonald House has a lot of fun events. We will listen to staff and volunteer instructions. These events can also be very loud and crowded, so we may have to wait or come back when some people have left.

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Dogs may come to visit the House. When they come to visit, we will be patient and let everyone get a chance to play with them. We will listen to their owner and staff members. If we don't want to play with them, we can say, "No thank you."

If the weather is nice and we want to play outside, we can go outside and enjoy the playground. We will play nice with others. We will be patient and wait our turn.

We can go to the library to get a lot of good books and relax. We will take care of the books and return them when we are finished. If someone else is in the library, we will be quiet and respectful.

There are a lot of fun (and messy) supplies to be creative with in the Arts and Crafts Room. Once we are done being an artist, we will clean up the area we used and put everything back where we found it.

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If we want to do something fun, we can go to the Playroom and Game Room. They may be crowded. What we want to play with may be taken. We can play with something else while we wait our turn.

While the weather is bad or if the outdoor playground is too crowded, we can use the indoor one. It has fun things for us to play on and plays some cool nature sounds. We will be careful when playing.

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If we want to exercise, we can go to the Fitness Center. It has a lot of things to use. We will be careful when using the equipment and mindful of other people using the room. Once we are done, we will wipe down everything we used.

After we are done using the playrooms and dining areas, we will clean up after ourselves so other families can use and enjoy the space like we did.
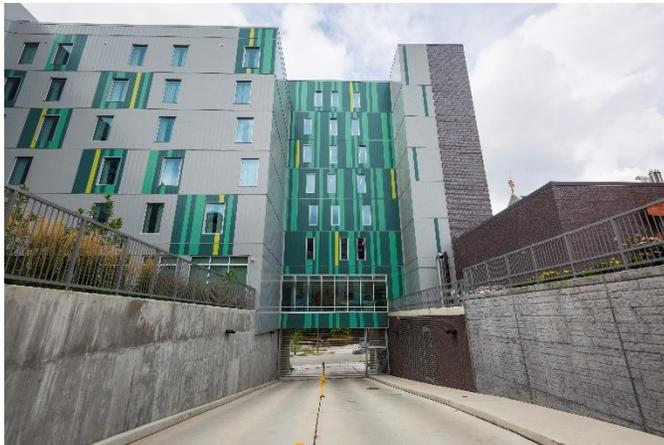

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When it is time to go home, we will pack up our things, take out the garbage and straighten up our room. If we have been here a long time, we may need to do some more cleaning. After that, we will drop off our keys at the front desk.

After turning in our keys, we will take our stuff to the car and load it up. Then, we will leave through the gate and head home. If we need to come back to the hospital, we may get to stay at the House again!