

- 1. What is the total Shrine membership?**  
Approximately 400,000.
- 2. How many Shriners temples are there?**  
There are 191 Shriners temples, or chap-  
ters, throughout the United States, Canada,  
Mexico and the Republic of Panama.
- 3. What was the first Shriners chapter?**  
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); Cin-  
cinnati (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 recov-  
ery 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. What 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 endow-  
ment fund, hospital fundraising events  
and the annual assessment paid by  
every Shriner.
- 10. What is the total 2007 budget for  
Shriners Hospitals for Children?**  
\$721 million. The 2007 operating budget  
is \$655 million, including \$37 million for  
research. The capital expenditures budget  
is \$66 million.
- 11. How much of the 2007 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 \$8.2 billion.
- 13. To date, how much has been spent on  
construction costs for the 22 Shriners  
Hospitals?**  
Over \$1.76 billion.
- 14. To date, how many children have been  
helped at the 22 Shriners Hospitals?**  
Approximately 835,000.
- 15. In 2006, how many admissions were  
made to the orthopaedic hospitals?\***  
\*23,832
- 16. In 2006, how many admissions were  
made to the burn hospitals?**  
3,973
- 17. In 2006, how many outpatient, out-  
reach and telemedicine clinic visits  
were recorded at the 22 hospitals?**  
296,859
- 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?**  
4.12 days
- 20. What is the average length of stay at  
the burn hospitals?**  
4.26 days

All figures, unless otherwise noted, are through Dec. 31, 2006.

\* Includes N. California hospital