

## St. Jude Quick Facts

- St. Jude is leading the way the world understands, treats and defeats childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases.
- Families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food – because all a family should worry about is helping their child live.
- Treatments invented at St. Jude have helped push the overall childhood survival rate from 20 percent when the hospital opened in 1962 to more than 80 percent today.
- St. Jude is working to drive the overall survival rate for childhood cancer to 90 percent in the next decade.
- St. Jude has increased the survival rates for acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) from 4 percent before opening in 1962 to 94 percent today.
- St. Jude is where doctors often send their toughest cases, because St. Jude has the world's best survival rates for some of the most aggressive forms of childhood cancers.
- St. Jude creates more clinical trials for cancer than any other children's hospital and turns laboratory discoveries into lifesaving treatments that benefit patients – every day.
- St. Jude freely shares its groundbreaking discoveries, and every child saved at St. Jude means doctors and scientists can use that knowledge to save thousands more children around the world.
- The daily operating cost for St. Jude is \$2 million, which is primarily covered by individual contributors.
- St. Jude has treated children from all 50 states and from around the world.
- On average, 7,800 active patients visit the hospital each year, most of whom are treated on an outpatient basis.
- St. Jude maintains 78 inpatient beds and treats upwards of 260 patients each day.
- St. Jude is the first and only pediatric cancer center to be designated as a Comprehensive Cancer Center by the National Cancer Institute.
- In 2015 St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was named one of the country's "100 Best Companies to Work For," by FORTUNE magazine for the fifth year in a row.
- St. Jude patients are referred by a physician, and generally have a disease currently under study and are eligible for a current clinical trial.
- The hospital's International Outreach Program transfers the progress achieved in the treatment of childhood cancer in developed countries to those with limited resources. St. Jude has 25 official partner sites in 17 countries, and more than 40,000 registered users from 160 countries have accessed [Cure4Kids.org](http://Cure4Kids.org), an Internet-based distance learning initiative. In addition, St. Jude trains

thousands of medical professionals around the world through consultations, faculty visits to St. Jude and Cure4Kids.org.

- The medical and scientific staff published 780 articles in academic journals in FY2014, more than any other pediatric cancer research center in the United States. St. Jude's researchers are published and cited more often in high impact publications than any other private pediatric oncology institution in America.
- St. Jude is a World Health Organization Collaborating Center for Studies on the Ecology of Influenza Viruses in Animals and Birds.
- St. Jude is the national coordinating center for the National Cancer Institute-funded Pediatric Brain Tumor Consortium and the Children's Cancer Survivor Study. St. Jude also is the coordinating center for a national study of sickle cell disease treatment funded by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.