



WELCOME TO THE HEART OF MASSACHUSETTS

Visiting the Massachusetts General Hospital Heart Center

Patients from all over the country come to the Massachusetts General Hospital Heart Center for compassionate, world-class cardiac care. When you or your loved one visits the Heart Center, you will be welcomed as part of our family. We will be happy to assist you in any way to make your stay as easy and comfortable as possible.

Where to Stay

We understand that travel and accommodations can be expensive. However, the following hotels offer special reduced rates to Mass General patients and families, subject to availability:

- **MGH at the Beacon House**—Beacon Hill, Boston; 617-726-7679 \$
- **MGH at the Beacon House Annex**—Beacon Hill, Boston; 617-726-7679 \$
- **MGH at the Inn**—La Quinta Inns & Suites, Somerville (shuttle service available); 617-724-2027 \$
- **Holiday Inn**—Beacon Hill, Boston; 617-742-7630 \$
- **Beacon Hill Hotel & Bistro**—Beacon Hill, Boston; 617-723-7575 \$\$\$
- **The Liberty Hotel**—Beacon Hill, Boston; 617-224-4000 \$\$\$\$

For a complete list of hotels, please visit the *For Patients & Families* section of the Heart Center website at www.massgeneral.org/heartcenter.
(\$ Rating Source: Mobil Travel Guide to Hotels)

Dining Out

If you're looking for a place to eat, you're in luck. There are plenty of restaurants and cafés in Boston. Here are a few near the Heart Center:

ON CAMPUS

- **Coffee Central**—Coffee, tea and pastries, main lobby of Gray Building, Mass General

- **Eat Street Café**—Variety of food, including healthy options, lower level of Ellison Building, Mass General; 617-724-MENU (6368)

LOCAL RESTAURANTS

- **Grotto**—Italian cuisine, 37 Bowdoin St.; 617-227-3434
- **Harvard Gardens**—Casual bar and grill, American cuisine, 316 Cambridge St.; 617-523-2727
- **Ma Soba**—Sushi, Asian cuisine, 156 Cambridge St.; 617-973-6680
- **Pierrot Bistrot Francais**—French cuisine, 272 Cambridge Street; 617-725-8855
- **Uptown Café**—Sandwiches, 120 Cambridge St.; 617-227-1181

QUICK EATS

- **Au Bon Pain**—209 Cambridge Street; 617-723-1278
- **Dunkin Donuts**—106 Cambridge Street; 617-523-4463
- **Finagle-A-Bagel**—277 Cambridge Street; 617-726-1111
- **Starbucks**—222 Cambridge Street; 617-227-2959
- **Whole Foods Market**—181 Cambridge Street; 617-723-0004

Meals with Patients

Visitors to the Heart Center inpatient rooms are welcome to share meals with patients. Guest meals can be ordered for a fee. Notify the assistant at the nurses' station before 11:00 a.m. for lunch and before 3:00 p.m. for dinner or breakfast the next day. If you are planning to bring food into the hospital for a patient, please check with the patient's nurse or clinician before doing so.

Visiting Hours

For your convenience, visiting hours are flexible. Please speak with the patient's nurse or clinician to determine the best time to visit or to discuss any unusual visiting circumstances that might require special arrangements.

Patient Information can be obtained 24 hours a day by calling 617-726-2070. Your call will be forwarded to the patient's unit, where you can speak directly to the patient's nurse or clinician.

Patient and Visitor Parking

The Fruit Street or Parkman Street garages are closest to the Heart Center. Both garages allow visitors to park for free up to 25 minutes.

Please keep your ticket with you and pay at the cashier's office located on the ground floor of the Fruit Street and Parkman Street garages and in the lobby of the Yawkey Center prior to returning to your car. For additional information, please call the parking office at 617-726-8886. To view parking rates, please visit www.massgeneral.org

Patient Discharge Information

When you are picking up a patient who is being discharged from Mass General, try to arrange a pickup time in advance. Be sure the patient has all of his or her belongings, medications and any special instructions for recovery or care at home.

Patient Drop-off and Pickup

Patients can be dropped off or picked up at the following locations:

- **Monday through Friday, days (6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.):** Wang Ambulatory Care Center (ACC) building driveway
- **Monday through Friday, evenings (8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.), weekends and holidays:** Mass General's main entrance (the White Building)

Gifts and Flowers

The General Store and Flower Shop sells flowers, balloons, books, snacks and other gifts for patients and visitors. Located on the hospital's first floor, in the Blake Corridor, the General Store is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. All proceeds from the General Store and Flower Shop help fund various activities around the hospital.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO 1 FRUIT STREET, BOSTON

FROM THE NORTH

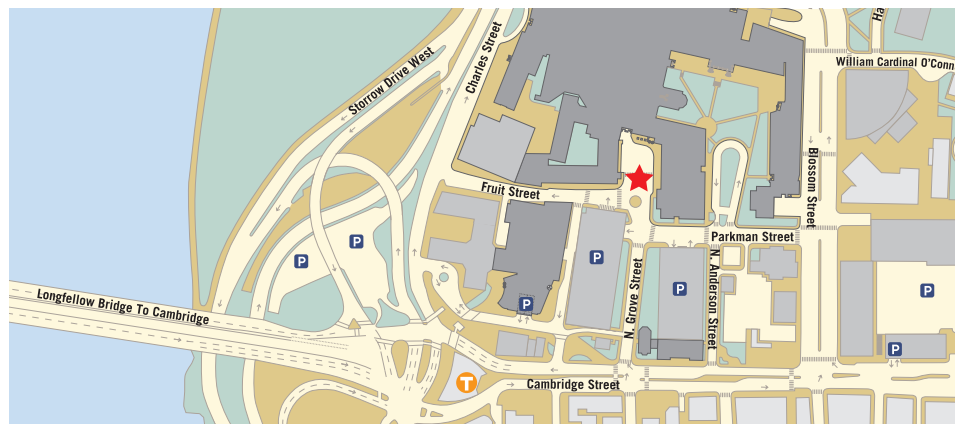
I-93 by way of the Leverett Connector

- Take I-93 south to Exit 26 (Storrow Drive/Cambridge)
- Stay to the left and follow signs to Storrow Drive
- Take the Storrow Drive ramp to Government Center (ramp is on the left)
- At the end of the ramp, yield to crossing traffic at the flashing traffic signal, and then proceed straight ahead
- Turn left onto Cambridge Street at the traffic signal
- Turn left onto N. Grove Street
- Turn left onto Fruit Street

FROM THE SOUTH

I-93 by way of Storrow Drive

- Take I-93 north to Exit 26 (Storrow Drive)
- Stay to the right and follow signs to Storrow Drive
- Take the Storrow Drive ramp to Government Center (ramp is on the left)
- At the end of the ramp, yield to crossing traffic at the flashing traffic signal, and then proceed straight ahead
- Turn left onto Cambridge Street at the traffic signal
- Turn left onto N. Grove Street
- Turn left onto Fruit Street



FROM THE EAST

I-90 by way of the Ted Williams Tunnel

- Take I-90 west through the Ted Williams Tunnel to Exit 24, I-93 north
- Take I-93 north to Exit 26 (Storrow Drive)
- Stay to the right and follow signs to Storrow Drive
- Take the Storrow Drive ramp to Government Center (ramp is on the left)
- At the end of the ramp, yield to crossing traffic at the flashing traffic signal, and then proceed straight ahead
- Turn left onto Cambridge Street at the traffic signal
- Turn left onto N. Grove Street
- Turn left onto Fruit Street

FROM THE WEST

I-90 by way of Storrow Drive

- Take I-90 east
- Take Exit 18 on the left toward Brighton/Cambridge
- Follow signs to Cambridge/Somerville
- Turn right onto Storrow Drive eastbound to Downtown Boston
- Take Storrow Drive east to Government Center exit
- Follow signs to Downtown/Government Center onto Cambridge Street
- Turn left onto N. Grove Street
- Turn left onto Fruit Street