

## BASIC RULES OF THE FISHR HOUSE



Guests must be willing to abide by all house rules:

- No smoking, alcohol, weapons or drug use.
- Willing & able to clean up after themselves.
- No pets. However, legitimate service dogs are allowed.
- Guests must express a willingness to respect the rights of other guests and contribute to a supportive and caring community living environment.
- Children under the age of 18 must always be supervised by their family member.
- Families will only be assigned one guest room.
- Guests must be in good health and answer screening questions.

## HOW DO I ARRANGE TO STAY?

All Fisher House accommodation requests require a **medical consult**.

- Consults can be placed by Doctors, Nurses, CNA's, Social Workers and appointment schedulers.
- ***Please ask them to submit a consult*** to notify us of your request stay at the Fisher House.
- Upon receipt of the consult, our staff will contact you directly.



If you have a question, please contact us at (207) 623-8411:

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# Welcome

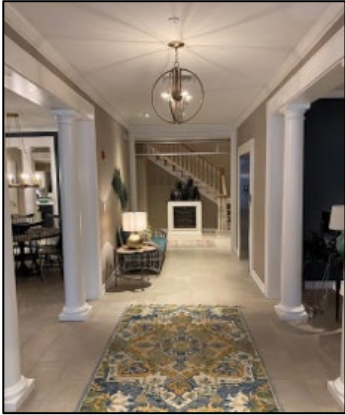
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## VA Maine Fisher House



*because A FAMILY'S LOVE is good medicine*

## WHAT IS A FISHER HOUSE?



*Front Entry*

Welcome to the beautiful **VA Maine Fisher House**.

Zachary & Elizabeth Fisher established the Fisher House Program in 1990.

Today, Kenneth Fisher, Chairman and CEO of the Fisher House Foundation, continues the mission of providing **free lodging** to military members, Veterans and their families while receiving care at our medical center.

Our amenities include:

- Approximately 13,500 SF of space.
- 16 Guest Suites: Bedrooms with private bathrooms.
- Common Areas Include: A Library, Dining Room, Deluxe Kitchen, Family Room & Laundry Room.
- All rooms are handicap accessible.

Since inception, Fisher Houses have saved military and Veterans' families an estimated **\$525 Million** in out of pocket costs for lodging and transportation.

## FISHER HOUSE FACTS

- The Fisher House Program was founded in **1990** by **Zachary and Elizabeth Fisher**.
- Fisher Houses provide **Free Lodging** for military families living more than 50 miles away from a VA or DOD Medical Center, allowing families to stay together while their loved ones are receiving treatment.
- On any given night, up to **1,000 Families** are staying in a Fisher House throughout the country.
- The Fisher House Foundation has:
  - Served over **413,000 Families**
  - Provided **10 Million Lodging Days**
  - Constructed **91 Fisher Houses** throughout the US, including Landstuhl, Germany and Birmingham, England.

**On February 17, 2020**

**VA Maine Fisher House**

**officially became the**

**86th Fisher House**

**in the Foundation's proud history.**

## ELIBILITY & RULES

### Family Members or Caregivers

- 1 - Is involved in the "episodic care" of the Veteran being treated at the VA Maine Healthcare System.
- 2 - Must be capable of self-care.
- 3 - Resides 50-miles or more from the VA Maine Healthcare System campus.

### Veterans

- 1 - Receiving "episodic care" at VA Maine Healthcare System.
- 2 - **Accompanied** by an adult family member or a caregiver.
- 3 - Resides 50-miles or more from the VA Maine Healthcare System campus.

***"Episodic Care" is confirmed through medical consults.***

***Exceptions to the 50-mile rule, while rare, may be granted at the discretion of the Fisher House Manager.***

