The Clinical and Translational Research Center (CTRC) Ambulatory Unit is located near the main hospital in a 5,500-square-foot area. It has 9 exam rooms, 5 of which have hospital beds for extended or overnight visits (less than 24 hours). Three of the beds have sleep monitoring equipment to allow overnight sleep studies. A multipurpose room also houses an additional hospital bed, an infusion chair, and a phlebotomy area. The unit also has 2 consultation/interview rooms and a processing laboratory with cold and ambient centrifuges, refrigerators, and a freezer for temporary sample storage. The Ambulatory Unit adjoins a small audio-video room and a 2,000-square-foot conference room for research education-related activities. The conference room can be converted into 3 smaller areas for groups, family, and individual interviews or behavioral testing. The unit is staffed with experienced registered nurses, registered dieticians, and medical assistants.

NURSING SERVICES:

The CTSI Clinical and Translational Research Center (CTRC) provides nursing support for clinical research. Our nursing staff is knowledgeable and skilled in protocol implementation, data collection, phlebotomy, IV insertions, pharmacokinetics (pK) studies, administration of investigational drugs, multiple sample collection, OGTT, clamp studies, EKGs, and assisting investigators with minor bedside procedures. Our nurses are certified in good clinical practices (GCP), HIPAA, and protecting study volunteers in research.

SPECIALIZED RESOURCES:

- Vital Sign Machines
- Pulse Oximeter
- Digital Weight Scales
- Stadiometers
- Electrocardiogram
- Sphygmomanometers
- Wall-mounted otoscope
- Wall-mounted ophthalmoscope
- IV pumps
- Orchidometers
- Glucometer
- Uroflow meter
- Muscle Biopsy Trochars
- Centrifuges
- Refrigerators
- Freezers
- Emergency Cart

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