

Trip to the JFK Center

Insert picture of JFK

Insert picture of JFK lobby

Danny is visiting the JFK Center today. The JFK Center is for kids who are just like you. Kids come here for all sorts of reasons. This is a picture of the JFK Center.

Danny and his mommy and daddy walk into the building. Danny's mommy speaks to a nice lady behind a big desk. She tells them that Danny can play with some toys until the doctor comes to see them.

Insert picture of Kathy (psychologist) and
Kristina (study coordinator)

A nice doctor comes in. Her name
is Dr. Kathy. Dr. Kathy has a
friend named Kristina with her.
Kristina is here to help Dr. Kathy.

Insert picture of Danny in elevator

Dr. Kathy and Kristina say hello to
Danny and his parents. They all
step into an elevator to go for a
ride. Danny gets to push the
button that says BSMT because
they are going downstairs to the
basement.

Insert picture of evaluation room (with some toys out).

Insert picture of parents and Kristina in observation room looking through window at Danny playing.

Dr. Kathy takes Danny and his parents into a room with lots of toys. Dr. Kathy and Kristina talk to Danny's mommy and daddy while Danny plays with the toys. This is a picture of the room.

Danny's parents and Kristina go into the room next to Danny's room. It has a window in it so they can see Danny playing.

Insert picture of Danny waving/making faces at mirror in evaluation room.

The window looks like a mirror to Danny. He makes funny faces at the mirror. Dr. Kathy tells Danny his parents can see him making faces through the mirror, so Danny waves at his parents.

Insert picture Danny and Dr. Kathy playing with blocks

Dr. Kathy brings lots of fun toys out for Danny to play with. She asks him to do fun things like play with blocks and play pretend games. Danny has a good time and laughs a lot with Dr. Kathy.

Insert picture of Danny talking to Kristina

Insert picture of Danny choosing a toy from
the toy basket

After Dr. Kathy and Danny are done playing, Danny's parents come back into the room and talk to Dr. Kathy. Danny tells Kristina all the fun things he just played with. He really liked playing with the blocks!

Because Danny worked so hard today, he picks out a surprise from the surprise basket.

Insert picture of Danny and parents waving

Danny and his parents are ready to go home now. They wave goodbye to Dr. Kathy and Kristina.

Trip to the Children's Hospital



Danny is visiting The Children's Hospital today. The Children's Hospital is for kids who are just like you. Kids come here for all sorts of reasons, sometimes because they are sick and sometimes because they are well. This is a picture of the hospital.



Danny's mommy and daddy park their car in the car garage and then walk to the elevator. Danny's mommy lets him push the number 4 because the fourth floor is where Danny will be visiting. Danny sees other kids who are waiting for the elevator too.



Danny and his mommy and daddy walk to a place named "CTRC." There are other kids in this place, just like him. Danny's daddy speaks to a nice woman at the front desk. The woman shows Danny and his parents the room he will stay in, and tells them a nurse named Mary will be with them soon.

Insert picture of CTRC room

Danny and his parents go into their own room. This is a picture of the room.

Insert picture of Danny in hospital gown

Insert picture of Mary (nurse practitioner)

Danny's parents help Danny get dressed in a special gown. The gown will help the nurse see Danny's body better so she can make sure he is healthy.

A nice nurse named Mary comes in the room to visit. Mary wants to look at Danny to make sure he is healthy. Mary says hello to Danny and his parents.



Mary wants to see how big Danny is. She weighs him on a scale and he weighs 40 pounds!



Then Mary wants to see how tall Danny is. Danny stands very still like a soldier. With his back against the wall, Mary moves the ruler to the top of his head to see how tall he is. Danny is 48 inches tall!

Insert picture of Danny get head circumference measured

Mary also wants to see how big Danny's head is. She takes a ruler and wraps it around Danny's head. His head is 21 inches around!



Mary will get blood from Danny's arm later. She puts a magic lotion on Danny's arm to make it so that Danny doesn't feel any ouchies. She puts a clear patch over it to keep it from getting on Danny's clothes. Danny gets to keep the magic lotion on his arm until he has his blood taken.



Mary shows Danny a special light she will use to look at Danny's skin. This is a picture of the special light.

Insert picture of Mary holding lamp

Mary turns off the big light in the room. The room gets dark. Danny's eyes get used to it in a couple minutes and he can see again. Mary turns on the special light and it shines purple light. The light helps Mary see spots on Danny's skin that are hiding in regular light.

Insert picture of Mary using lamp to look at
Danny's arm

Mary holds the light near her own skin first to show Danny what her skin looks like in the purple light. Then Mary holds the light near Danny's skin. She looks at his back and his arms and legs. She looks at his whole body with the special light. After Mary is done looking at Danny's skin, she turns the lights back on in the room.

Insert picture of Mary taking photographs of
Danny

Mary shows Danny a camera so she can take pictures of him. She asks Danny to sit very still. Mary takes some pictures of Danny's face and his hands and feet. Danny thinks it's silly to have pictures of his feet taken. Danny is good at sitting still like a statue until Mary is done taking pictures.

Insert picture of Danny with hands on a photocopier

Insert picture of Mary taking hair sample from Danny's mom or dad

Next it's time to make a copy of Danny's handprint on a photocopier. Danny puts his hand on the glass. It's a little bit cold. Mary pushes a button and a light flashes. A piece of paper comes out of the machine with a copy of Danny's hand. It looks like handprints Danny made with paint at school.

Now Mary wants to cut some of Danny's mommy and daddy's hair. She cuts a tiny bit of hair from the back of their heads.

Insert picture of Mary taking hair sample from
Danny

Insert picture of hair sample

Next it's Danny's turn and Mary cuts a little bit of Danny's hair. She wants to look at the hair with a special machine to make sure Danny is healthy. Mary only needs a little tiny bit of Danny's hair from the back of his head. Mary tells Danny to lean forward and sit very still. Danny sits very still and does not move at all.

After Mary cuts a little bit of Danny's hair off, she shows it to Danny, and then puts it in an envelope.

Insert picture of phlebotomist

Insert picture of Danny's dad doing blood
sample prep

Mary's friend Jenny comes to visit
Danny and his parents. Jenny is
there to get some blood from
their arms.

Danny's daddy rolls up his sleeve.
Jenny puts a big rubber band
around Danny's daddy's arm. She
ties the rubber band so she can
see his veins.

Insert picture of Danny's dad doing blood sample prep

Insert picture of Danny's dad getting blood taken

Next, Jenny uses a small sponge to make sure Danny's daddy's arm is really clean.

Mary takes out a syringe to get blood from Danny's daddy's arm. Jenny puts the syringe in his daddy's arm. After a few seconds, it's all over.

Insert picture of Danny's mom getting blood taken



Now is Danny's mommy's turn. Jenny ties the rubber band around her arms and cleans it with the sponge. Jenny puts the syringe in Danny's mommy's arm. Just like with Danny's daddy, it's all over after a few seconds.

Now it's Danny's turn. Jenny puts the big rubber band around Danny's arm. She ties the rubber band so she can see Danny's veins. is healthy.



Next, Jenny takes off the clear patch off Danny's arm. She wipes off the magic lotion with a cloth and then uses a small sponge to make sure Danny's arm is really clean. It feels a little bit cold and wet.



Jenny takes out a syringe to get blood from Danny's arm. Jenny tells Danny he might feel a pinch, but the magic lotion will keep him from getting any ouchies. Jenny tells Danny to count to three, and then puts the syringe in Danny's arm. It doesn't hurt! It's all over!

Insert picture of toy box

Insert picture of Danny and his parents waving
goodbye

Because Danny worked so hard
today, he picks out a surprise from
the surprise basket.

Now it's time for Danny to go
home! He waves goodbye to Mary
and Jenny.