

Safe & compassionate care,

every time

The Surgical Treatment Centre

The Surgical Treatment Centre (STC) is part of the division of surgery and critical care. Based at Wycombe Hospital, you will be joining a friendly team that provides excellent nursing care for the elective surgery patients within the Trust. We provide good career opportunities and you will have the opportunity to rotate around the surgical wards to gain experience in all aspects of elective surgery and emergency urology.

Our pledge within the STC is to ensure that our patients' needs always come first. We value openness and fairness and are committed to equality of access and to working in partnership with our staff and patients.

We have a high staff retention rate with many of our nurses having over 10 years of service.

Day Surgery Unit

The day surgery unit has 25 trolleys and provides care for patients undergoing planned day surgical procedures for general surgical, orthopaedic, urology and ophthalmology patients. We have one of the highest rates of completed day cases in the country

and are leading the way in laparoscopic cholecystectomies.

Ward 12A general surgery elective ward

Our 14-bedded ward provides care for in-patients for the diagnosis and treatment of benign and malignant breast conditions, vascular surgery, colorectal surgery, laparoscopic or keyhole surgery for upper gastrointestinal surgery and thyroid and parathyroid surgery.

We have an established enhanced recovery programme for colorectal surgery patients and an early discharge protocol for breast surgery patients. We pride ourselves on our personal and individual approach to patient care.

Ward 12B orthopaedic surgery

Our 28-bedded ward specialises mainly in hip and knee joint replacement. Through patient education and an enhanced recovery programme the ward and multidisciplinary team have reduced the average length of stay for hip and knee replacements to below the national standard.

On Ward 12B we have recently been awarded Exemplar Ward Status by the Trust for the excellent work we do on improving patient care, providing a great patient experience and good staff satisfaction.



Ward 12C urology elective and emergency ward 13

We currently have capacity for 13 elective patients and 4 emergency patients and specialise in a variety of urological conditions, the management of urological malignancy and urinary tract stones, enlarged prostate and lower urinary tract surveillance. A wide range of urology surgery is undertaken from routine care to radical bladder, prostate or renal surgery which may require high dependency nursing skills. Emergencies are admitted directly to the urology ward or via the emergency department.

We are based at Wycombe Hospital and are attached to the diagnostic urology department where all staff are trained to a high standard of urology nursing. The ward provides an excellent standard of care for both elective and emergency patients.

How we support our nurses

The STC is committed to developing a culture of lifelong learning. Clinical supervision is fully established within the treatment centre and is supported by all lead staff. We have agreed surgical treatment centre competencies supported by our own educational practitioner.

Our nurses have access to a wide variety of training programmes designed to support the development of all grades of staff covering a range of personal and clinical skills. We are continuing to expand access to training by increasing

our current range of e-learning packages and developing flexible programmes that respect the varying working patterns of our staff.

We have developed a weekly training programme and support our staff throughout their employment to ensure that they participate in professional development as part of maintaining our commitment to the delivery of safe and high quality patient care.

If you are hard working, can cope well under pressure and are as committed to providing excellent, compassionate nursing care as you are to your own professional development you should consider joining our dedicated and enthusiastic team.




Be the future