

Safe & compassionate care,
every time

Theatre nursing

Theatre nursing is part of the division of surgery and critical care. We provide patient care for all emergency and elective operations across 23 theatres at both Stoke Mandeville Hospital and Wycombe Hospital.

Stoke Mandeville Hospital is primarily the acute emergency and trauma centre. We care for patients requiring burns, plastics, general, spinal injuries, gynaecology, ophthalmology and orthopaedic trauma surgery. We cover 24 hours a day 7 days a week on shift rotation. We also have a day surgical theatre unit which is staffed from 8.00am – 7pm.

Wycombe Hospital is the elective surgical centre with inpatient and day surgery facilities. This is planned surgery involving general surgical patients, orthopaedic, urology, ENT, vascular, ophthalmology, breast, GI/ laparoscopic and gynaecology. The majority of our elective workload takes place between 8am – 6pm Monday–Friday with one theatre team available out of hours to cover emergencies.

Nursing with us provides a variety of opportunities from scrub nursing or anaesthetics to nursing patients in recovery.

How we support our nurses

We are committed to supporting and developing all our nurses. Joining as a newly qualified nurse you will be provided with a 12-month preceptorship programme and named mentor. All nurses are given the opportunity to access internal rotation to gain experience and skills in a variety of settings.

All our nurses receive regular individual supervision and an annual appraisal to identify and support career ambitions. We also have a dedicated theatre training and development team to support you and to ensure evidenced based care is practiced throughout.

You will be a member of an enthusiastic and dedicated team who are all committed to delivering safe and compassionate patient care in the critical care area. We encourage staff to have a work / life balance and are able to support flexible working contracts on an individual basis.




Be the future