



YALE-NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL

Located on the Connecticut shore, **Yale-New Haven Hospital** is a 944-bed tertiary care facility recognized as one of "America's Best Hospitals" by *U.S. News & World Report*. Boasting a longstanding affiliation with Yale University Schools of Nursing and Medicine, an international reputation for leading-edge research and advanced care, and extensive, state-of-the-art facilities, Yale-New Haven Hospital is proud to offer nursing professionals a wide range of choices — from opportunities for the moment to careers for life.

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Yale-New Haven Hospital Diagnostic Imaging Unit

Patient Population

The Department of Diagnostic Imaging and the Cardiovascular Heart Center provide a diverse practice setting for the experienced ICU-level nurse. Our nurses care for adult inpatient and outpatients (age 16 and older) who undergo a wide variety of diagnostic and interventional radiology and cardiology procedures.

Environment

Our main department is located on the second floor of Yale-New Haven Hospital's South Pavilion. Patient care takes place in a procedural lab setting and involves a team of attending physicians, fellows, residents, radiology technologists and nurses. Our nurse/patient ratio is 1:1 while delivering conscious sedation. Specific settings include:

- **Peripheral Vascular Interventional Radiology**
- **Neuro Interventional Radiology**
- **Cardiac Cath Labs**
- **Cardiac Electrophysiology Labs**
- **CT Scans**
- **Ultrasound**
- **Nuclear Medicine**
- **GI/GU Suite**
- **MRI Center**

On the recovery floor (4-6 East Pavilion), our RN staff works in conjunction with a Nurse Practitioner and a support staff of BAs, EAs, and PCAs to recover and discharge the outpatient population. Scheduled hours are Monday-Friday, 7:00am-8:00pm. Nights, weekends and holidays are covered by a system of rotating scheduled on-call.

Practice

This is a challenging environment. As a university health center, Yale-New Haven Hospital is in the forefront of ongoing research and national trials. The department is frequently involved in research protocols. Due to specialization in practice areas, our staff is clustered into a Peripheral/Neurovascular cluster, a Cardiac cluster and a Float cluster.

Education/Staff Development

Orientation is a 1:1 precepted competency-based experience. Chemotherapy Certification is offered for nurses, as the interventional radiology group is involved in the delivery of intra-arterial chemotherapeutics for oncology patients. Cardiology is also involved in various national trials, and in-servicing appropriate to these trials is unit-based. Radiation Safety education is mandatory, as procedures are performed under fluoroscopic guidance. Ongoing in-service education is provided both on the unit and through the Hospital's Nursing Education Department. Participation in conferences is also supported.

This department participates fully in all Yale-New Haven Hospital departmental councils, committees and programs as outlined in the hospital brochure.

For more information about nursing careers in Diagnostic Imaging, please contact Francine LoRusso, RN, Patient Service Manager, at (203) 688-2576.