



# 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 Post Anesthesia Care Units

### ADULT PACUs

Open Monday-Friday, 6:30am-midnight, the two Adult PACUs at Yale-New Haven Hospital provide post anesthesia/post surgical care to adult inpatients and outpatients. We offer an 18-bed South Pavilion Adult PACU to our inpatient population, a 13-bed Pedi PACU to outpatients, and two negative pressure rooms. RNs assigned to the Adult PACU rotate through both units. We also provide on-call RN coverage for emergent cases from midnight-6:30am.

### PEDIATRIC PACU

The Pediatric PACU at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital is a part of our Pediatric Surgery Center, which consists of 4 preoperative exam rooms and a 12-bed monitored PACU. The Pediatric PACU is open from 6:30am-7:00pm, Monday-Friday, with on-call RNs available after-hours for emergent cases.

### PATIENT POPULATIONS

- Cardioversion
- Dental
- Ear, Nose and Throat
- General
- Genitourinary
- Gynecology
- Medical Cardiology
- Neurosurgery
- Ophthalmology
- Oral
- Orthopedic
- Pediatric Gastroenterology
- Pediatric
- Peripheral Vascular
- Thoracic
- Transplant

### ABOUT PACU NURSING

Perianesthesia nursing is a specialty area that takes great pride in developing and maintaining the highest standards of care. Our competency-based practice integrates knowledge, attitudes, skills and behaviors to maintain consistent standards of care. Our PACU nurses:

- **Maintain personal accountability for professional competency.**
- **Participate in professional continuing educational activities, including on-unit in-services and self-learning packets.**
- **Adhere to ASPAN's Standards of Perianesthesia Nursing Practice.**
- **Accept responsibility and accountability for perianesthesia nursing practice.**
- **Participate in performance improvement initiatives.**
- **Use competency-based orientation and annual review processes; age-specific CBO with primary preceptor 6-12 weeks duration.**
- **Remain current on new products and procedures affecting practice.**
- **Practice with compassion and respect towards each individual patient, family member and/or significant other.**
- **All have ICU or previous PACU experience.**
- **Pursue specialty certification:**
  - Certified Perianesthesia Nurse (CPAN)
  - Certified Ambulatory Perianesthesia Nurse (CAPA)
  - Certified Pediatric RN

We invite you to learn more about nursing on Yale-New Haven Hospital's Post Anesthetic Care Units by shadowing one of your colleagues in action. To arrange a shadow opportunity or to discuss our careers, please contact Maryanne McMahon, Patient Services Manager, at (203) 688-1448.