

Cardiovascular Operation Room (CVOR)

The CVOR team provides specialized care to patients from the first days of life to adulthood. Our multidisciplinary team includes nurses, surgeons, anesthesiologists and others working closely together to care for patients with complex congenital heart defects.



Unit Overview

- The CVOR includes 2 operating rooms serving patients of all acuity levels and all ages. Our staffing ratio is 2-3 nurses per patient
- CVOR hours are M-F, weekends/holidays and after hours are covered with on-call.
- Ongoing opportunities for clinical advancement and cross-training to other procedural areas.
- Opportunities to train to be on procurement team for heart transplants

Meet Our Team

- CVOR trained RNs and Scrub Techs working closely with perfusionists (heart lung bypass machine), cardiac anesthesiology, and cardiac surgeons
- The Heart Institute won the 2021 Innovations in Clinical Care, a Johns Hopkins Medicine Excellence Award

What to Expect

- Orientation lasts 12 months for new hires and three to six months for others depending on experience
- Orientation shifts are from 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Permanent shift is determined with supervisor after orientation
- Orientation to circulator and 2nd scrub roles through AORN Periop 101 curriculum

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