

Pre-Op / Same Day Surgery

Kalispell, MT

About Pre-Op/Same Day Surgery:

- **How many beds:** The average surgeries range from 15-20+ at north and main. Completes 8-16 surgeries a day.
- **Patient demographics:** north pre-op is lower patient acuity for total joint replacements, t&a's, and plastics. Main pre-op ranges from cabg/heart, pediatrics, general, vascular, urology and oncology.
- **Schedules and call requirements:** We have four 10-hour shifts. No weekends, holidays, or on-call.

Common skill sets/procedures:

Many of the procedures and skills needed vary widely. Nurses should be able to perform strong IV starts, think critically, and communicate with doctors and peers.

Qualities of a pre-op/same day surgery nurse:

To thrive, the nurse would be flexible, a team player, capable of working in a fast paced environment and capable of multitasking. The nurse does not mind getting up early - flexibility is imperative.

A day in the life of our unit:

The Pre-Op and Phase II areas are fast paced. No day is the same.

