

Benefits to Working in this Area

- Gain specialised knowledge and skills in orthopaedic nursing
- Development of existing nursing skills to provide the highest standard of individualised nursing care
- Development of critical thinking skills and exposure & experience in the management of complex orthopaedic and spinal injuries
- Exposure & experience in the management of complex patient discharges
- Personal development actively encouraged and facilitated
- Stimulating and varied work environment
- Atmosphere of openness and inclusiveness
- On-going support from nurse managers and colleagues
- Experience of working as part of a well-established & highly functioning MDTE exposure to palliative care, symptom management of illness and end of life care
- Opportunities to provide psychological support to all patients with a particular focus on care of the post-operative patient with altered body image.
- Gain experience in care of the Plastic surgery patient

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St Agnes Ward
Cancer & Surgery Directorate

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Welcome

St Agnes Ward is a busy, dynamic Orthopaedic ward with nurses caring for patients with Musculoskeletal Disorders.

Surgeries undertaken include trauma surgery, joint replacement surgery, revision joint replacement surgery, foot surgery, lower limb surgery, upper limb surgery as well as spinal surgery and caters for both elective and trauma patients.

Working in this specialty you will gain knowledge, skills and experience in the nursing care of the Orthopaedic patient as well as Care of the older person, Care of the patient with complex needs, Rehabilitation nursing, Care of patient with Spinal injuries and Care of patient with Spinal Cord injuries.

St Agnes Ward provides specialised, coordinated, medical and surgical nursing care as part of an interdisciplinary team whose **focus is on the patient** receiving the best care possible.

Opportunities

- Orientation Programme
- Continuing Education
- In-service education
- Attendance at both National/International Orthopaedic conferences
- Postgraduate educational support
- Opportunity to undertake a CPD in Spinal Column/ Spinal Cord Injury Nursing
- Staff rotation between the Orthopaedic Ward and the National Spinal Injuries unit

Projects / Research / Lean

Lean 'supply & demand' pilot site & primary implementation site

A pilot site for hospital launch of Falls multifactorial assessment form

'How you are doing' boards incorporating the falls and pressure area safety crosses

Nursing metrics