

CLINICAL NURSE – SPECIALTY SURGERY 12E (GI Surgical Oncology)

Please look at our 12 East Instagram page to see what our team has been up to recently!

[Northwestern - 12E General Surgery Team Instagram Page](#)

Patient Population: GI, Surgical Oncology, Plastics, and Ears Nose & Throat

General Care Information

The **Specialty Surgery Unit on 12E** is a multifaceted unit that specializes in the care of a variety of post-surgical patients at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. Our nurses provide care to extremely complex surgical patients that have often undergone life-altering surgery. Clinical nurses on the **Specialty Surgery (12E)** floor gain incredible experience and knowledge in a number of devices & procedures including ileostomies & colostomies, artificial airways including tracheostomies & T-tubes, negative pressure wound therapy, chest tubes, venous dopplers, and leech therapy. This unit allows for nurses to advance their skillset by combining cutting-edge technology and critical thinking skills to provide evidence-based comprehensive nursing care to our highly complex post-surgical patient population.

Some of our Specialty surgeries include:

- Tumor Removals
- Ostomy Placements
- Weight Loss Procedures
- Reconstructive Flaps
- Gender Affirming Surgeries

In addition, the unit offers an environment that supports teamwork and collaboration from all members of the interdisciplinary team. On **12E Specialty Surgery**, nurses have the opportunity and are encouraged to get involved in departmental quality committees and contribute to advancements in our evidence-based nursing care by participating in our LEAD (Lead, Excel and Develop) program. We provide opportunities for professional growth and development and encourage lifelong learning to continue career advancement in the nursing field.