

Vanderbilt Children's Hospital (VCH) OR Shadowing

POLICIES:

- Observations will only be allowed Monday-Friday. Some dates will not be allowed, based on scheduling, and will be displayed in the observation calendar within the application.
- Unfortunately, OR observation with residents will not be approved. Observations need to be scheduled with the primary attending.
- All students must arrive at 7:30am for their observational experience. No observations can be scheduled for arrival later in the day.
- Each student will be allowed (1) 4-hour observation in the OR per school year. Additional hours can be obtained with the surgeon in the inpatient setting and in clinic.
- If a surgeon is not available in the OR on a specific day and wants the student to have an OR observation, the surgeon can work with a surgeon colleague to set up an observation to accommodate the student.
- There will be a MAX of 2 students/observers permitted on the 3rd floor per day.
- If a student is observing in the OR and the patient is COVID+ or on any form of isolation precautions, the observation experience will end and the student will be required to leave the OR.

PROCESS:

- Vanderbilt juniors and seniors must first be approved by the HPAO to shadow in the OR at VCH.
- The HPAO must send confirmation to VCH that the student is approved.
- The Surgeon must approve EACH date of surgery for observation.
- Student must APPLY for approval through this link - <https://is.gd/vchorvisitor>
- Student will receive a confirmation email when approved.