

Veteran Health Administration | Veteran Health Indiana

We have an excellent opportunity for an experienced Cardiovascular Surgery Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, or RN First Assist to join Veteran Health Indiana at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, IN. This is a new position as we are rebuilding a program. As part of an academic team affiliated with Indiana University, this clinician will be engaged in all aspects of perioperative and intraoperative care for the cardiothoracic surgical patient. First assisting in the OR with proficiency in independent endoscopic saphenectomy is required; endoscopic radial artery procurement is desirable but not mandatory.

Five years of professional practice as a PA/NP/RNFA (minimum of three years of experience in Cardiac Surgery) is preferred with current and continuous certification by his or her respective national licensing organization.

Salary is competitive with the 50th percentile MGMA compensation values plus extensive VA benefits (including pension). Work schedule is limited to 40hrs/week as averaged monthly and offers remarkable work-life balance. Opportunities for educational debt reduction exist for qualifying applicants with current Federal school loans.

Indianapolis is the 3rd largest city in the Midwest, home of two professional sports teams (Indianapolis Colts, Pacers), the Indy 500, internationally recognized museums, music venues, and diverse cultural events worthy of a city hosting a major university system.

Additionally, optional involvement in global cardiac surgical program development is possible through IU's established leadership role in the consortium of North American Universities partnering via AMPATH (Academic Model Providing Access to Healthcare).

Examples of typical clinical duties (as commensurate with training & experience level) are:

- Completion of perioperative inpatient & outpatient documentation.
- Contribution to cardiac surgical patient care in the ICU / telemetry unit.
- Provision of medical education/counseling for patients and families, as appropriate.
- Performance of independent endoscopic saphenectomy & ideally radial artery procurement.
- Assistance in the operating room as necessary for cardiac and/or thoracic surgical procedures.
- Participation in the discharge planning & coordination of clinical needs with outside facilities and caregivers.
- Demonstration of leadership & initiative while representing the Cardiothoracic Surgery service through interactions with other disciplines of the Veterans Administration medical system.

Interested parties should send a note of interest and CVs to Emily.Farkas@va.gov