

Some subspecialties include: Cardiology ■ Neonatal ■ Neurology ■ Pediatrics ■ Pulmonary Medicine ■ Surgery ■ Trauma

Where do they work?

In intensive care units (ICUs), pediatric ICUs, neonatal ICUs, cardiac care units, cardiac catheter labs, telemetry units, progressive care units, emergency departments and recovery rooms.

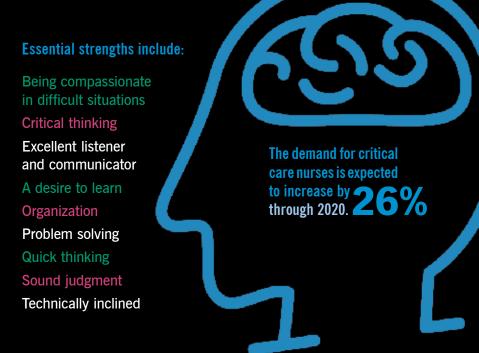
injuries and illnesses.

A majority of critical care nurses work in hospitals, but they can also work in nursing homes, outpatient facilities, flight units, nursing schools and home healthcare.

37% of nurses who work in a hospital setting are critical care nurses.

Roles and responsibilities:

- Identifying, assessing and monitoring patients' health problems
- Giving intensive therapy and intervention
- Operating life support systems
- Documenting and recording patient information
- Serving as a patient advocate
- Collaborating with patients, their families and other healthcare professionals
- Providing education and support to patients and families
- Assisting with end-of-life care



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