These guidelines are in addition to those found at [https://www.vumc.org/observational-services/welcome](https://www.vumc.org/observational-services/welcome).

The VOE observer should be with their assigned host at all times once the observation begins.

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| **Pediatric Emergency Department**  | • Individuals must be over 18 years of age  
• No more than 1 observer per day [without leader approval]  
• No observations in the Trauma Bays  
• No observations in isolation rooms where fit-tested PPE is required |
| **Pediatric Critical Care Areas**    | • Individuals must be over 18 years of age  
• No observations in isolation rooms where fit-tested PPE is required |
| **Acute Care Areas**                | • 16-18 years of age cannot observe adolescent age patients  
• No observations in isolation rooms where fit-tested PPE is required |
| **Neonatal Intensive Care Unit**    | • Individuals must be over 18 years of age.  
• Observation experiences are only approved for the night shift (6:45 pm).  
• No observations in isolation rooms where fit-tested PPE is required |
| **Pediatric OR**                    | • Observations will only be allowed on Monday through Friday. Some dates will not be available. Those will be displayed in the observation calendar within the application.  
• All observers must arrive at 7:30 am for their observation. No observations can be scheduled for arrival later in the day. All observations will end by 4 pm.  
• Each observer will be allowed 1, 8-hour observation (VOE - VUMC Employees) or 1, 4-hour observation per school year (VU HPAO/AED Students).  
• There will be a MAX of 2 students/observers permitted in the VCH Procedural Area per day. |
| **CHOC**                            | • Students 16-18 years of age cannot observe adolescent age patients  
• No observations in isolation rooms where fit-tested PPE is required |