

PNW Written Contest Submission

WE STAND

We stand.

We stand for patients on the worst day of their lives.

We stand for patient safety if someone wants to skip a step or rush.

We stand in as your voice and as your advocate when you are at your most vulnerable.

We stand next to and teach the next generation of operating room nurses so they can take the best care of you during surgery,

We stand by and watch everything in the room and ensure that sterile technique is always maintained.

We stand tall and know that our knowledge and skills are imperative to your surgical journey and recovery.

We stand with your family when bad news has to be given.

We stand next to you and hold your hand while anesthesia prepares you for surgical sleep.

We stand with our colleagues when they are having a bad day and need our advice and help.

We stand for hours on end to help the surgeon complete your procedure safely.

We will never stand by and not speak up if something doesn't seem quite right.

We stand for safety. We stand for standards. We are perioperative nurses and in the operating room, we stand for YOU.

Submitting on behalf of the HSC branch N&LORNA