



## Olga Raznitsyna

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Volha (Olga) Raznitsyna is a first year surgeon from Belarus. In fact, in Belarus surgeons work as an intern for one year after graduating from university. Then they start to work. This is her first year working as a surgeon, in Mogilev City Hospital 1.

**Olga, when did you decide to become a surgeon? Did you know you wanted to do this when you were a little girl or is it something you decided later?**

I decided to become a doctor at the end of school, and a surgeon during my last years at university. Almost everyone from my family are doctors. I decided that it is the profession that fits me the best because I adore working with people. I like to help them, and I like that this profession is usually outside of anything political. All

of us can become ill. When I finished my university, I decided that I'd like to help people, not only with medicine, but also with my hands. I decided to work in the surgical sphere. Of course, it is a very wide sphere. You can be an ophthalmologist. You can be a neurosurgeon. You can be an abdominal surgeon. There are a lot of professions that you can choose. Now I work as a general surgeon. We perform operations on the inner organs of the abdomen. This is what I'm doing now.

**There is a stereotype that little girls are afraid of blood. Did this happen to you?**

[laughs] I am afraid of blood because I understand how important it is. I can't watch movies with a lot of blood because

*“Learn something new,  
and feel surprised by life  
every day...”*

