

SURGICAL SAFETY CHECKLIST (FIRST EDITION)

BEFORE INDUCTION OF ANAESTHESIA

BEFORE SKIN INCISION

BEFORE PATIENT LEAVES OPERATING ROOM

SIGN IN

<input type="checkbox"/> PATIENT HAS CONFIRMED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IDENTITY • SITE • PROCEDURE • CONSENT
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE MARKED / NOT APPLICABLE
<input type="checkbox"/> ANAESTHESIA SAFETY CHECK COMPLETED
<input type="checkbox"/> PULSE OXIMETER ON PATIENT AND FUNCTIONING
DOES PATIENT HAVE A:
KNOWN ALLERGY?
<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> YES
DIFFICULT AIRWAY / ASPIRATION RISK?
<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> YES, AND EQUIPMENT / ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE
RISK OF > 500ML BLOOD LOSS (7ML/KG IN CHILDREN)?
<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> YES, AND ADEQUATE INTRAVENOUS ACCESS AND FLUIDS PLANNED

TIME OUT

<input type="checkbox"/> CONFIRM ALL TEAM MEMBERS HAVE INTRODUCED THEMSELVES BY NAME AND ROLE
<input type="checkbox"/> SURGEON, ANAESTHESIA PROFESSIONAL AND NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PATIENT • SITE • PROCEDURE
ANTICIPATED CRITICAL EVENTS
<input type="checkbox"/> SURGEON REVIEWS: WHAT ARE THE CRITICAL OR UNEXPECTED STEPS, OPERATIVE DURATION, ANTICIPATED BLOOD LOSS?
<input type="checkbox"/> ANAESTHESIA TEAM REVIEWS: ARE THERE ANY PATIENT-SPECIFIC CONCERNS?
<input type="checkbox"/> NURSING TEAM REVIEWS: HAS STERILITY (INCLUDING INDICATOR RESULTS) BEEN CONFIRMED? ARE THERE EQUIPMENT ISSUES OR ANY CONCERNS?
HAS ANTIBIOTIC PROPHYLAXIS BEEN GIVEN WITHIN THE LAST 60 MINUTES?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES
<input type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE
IS ESSENTIAL IMAGING DISPLAYED?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES
<input type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE

SIGN OUT

NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRMS WITH THE TEAM:
<input type="checkbox"/> THE NAME OF THE PROCEDURE RECORDED
<input type="checkbox"/> THAT INSTRUMENT, SPONGE AND NEEDLE COUNTS ARE CORRECT (OR NOT APPLICABLE)
<input type="checkbox"/> HOW THE SPECIMEN IS LABELLED (INCLUDING PATIENT NAME)
<input type="checkbox"/> WHETHER THERE ARE ANY EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS TO BE ADDRESSED
<input type="checkbox"/> SURGEON, ANAESTHESIA PROFESSIONAL AND NURSE REVIEW THE KEY CONCERNS FOR RECOVERY AND MANAGEMENT OF THIS PATIENT