

PLEASE PLACE PATIENT
STICKER HERE OR WRITE IN
PATIENT NAME:

SURGICAL SAFETY CHECKLIST

WHO / SCOAP - SAFE SURGERY SAVES LIVES
GLOBAL PATIENT SAFETY CHALLENGE

Directions: Circulating nurse, please place a
check mark in the box for actions performed

SIGN IN - PRIOR TO INDUCTION OF ANESTHESIA, VERIFY:

- PATIENT CONFIRMED IDENTITY, SITE, PROCEDURE AND CONSENT
- SITE MARKED/NOT APPLICABLE
- ANESTHESIA MACHINE SAFETY CHECK COMPLETED
- PULSE OXIMETER ON PATIENT AND FUNCTIONING

DOES PATIENT HAVE A:

KNOWN ALLERGY

- NO
- YES

DIFFICULT AIRWAY/ASPIRATION RISK

- NO
- YES, AND NEEDED EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

TIME OUT - PRIOR TO SKIN INCISION (ATTENDING SURGEON BEGINS CHECKLIST HERE):

- EACH TEAM MEMBER INTRODUCES HIM/HERSELF BY NAME AND ROLE
- SURGEON, ANESTHESIA PROFESSIONAL AND NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRM PATIENT NAME, ID BAND, SITE, PROCEDURE, POSITION

SURGEON REVIEWS:

- BRIEF OVERALL DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE AND ANY ANTICIPATED DIFFICULTIES
- EXPECTED DURATION OF PROCEDURE
- SINGLE OPERATIVE FIELD, MULTIPLE OPERATIVE FIELDS
- NEED FOR INSTRUMENTS OR OTHER SUPPLIES BEYOND THOSE NORMALLY USED FOR THE PROCEDURE
- ANTICIPATED BLOOD LOSS -
RISK OF BLOOD LOSS > 500 ML (7 ML/KG FOR CHILDREN), NO YES AND ADEQUATE IV ACCESS AND FLUIDS ESTABLISHED

ANESTHESIA TEAM REVIEWS:

- AIRWAY OR OTHER PATIENT-SPECIFIC CONCERNS (SPECIAL MEDS, HEALTH CONDITIONS AFFECTING RECOVERY, ETC)
- CRITICAL RESUSCITATION PLANS

NURSING TEAM REVIEWS:

- STERILITY CONFIRMED
- EQUIPMENT ISSUES
- OTHER PATIENT CONCERNS
- ANTIBIOTIC PROPHYLAXIS GIVEN IN LAST 60 MINUTES NOT APPLICABLE
- ANTIBIOTIC REDOSING PLAN IN PLACE NOT APPLICABLE (CASE < 3 HOURS)
- ESSENTIAL IMAGING DISPLAYED NOT APPLICABLE
- ACTIVE WARMING IN PLACE NOT APPLICABLE (CASE < 1 HOUR)
- GLUCOSE CHECKED FOR DIABETICS INSULIN STARTED FOR GLUCOSE > 125 NOT APPLICABLE
- VTE PREVENTION PLAN IN PLACE NOT APPLICABLE
- THE OPERATING TEAM HAS AN AGREED UPON PLAN TO PREVENT SHARPS INJURY NOT APPLICABLE (NO SHARPS)

SIGN OUT - PRIOR TO WOUND CLOSURE:

- SURGEON CONFIRMS INSTRUMENTS & SPONGES ARE OUT OF INCISION (SURGEON)

SIGN OUT - AT COMPLETION OF THE CASE & PRIOR TO THE PATIENT LEAVING THE OPERATING THEATRE:

NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRMS WITH THE TEAM:

- INSTRUMENT, SPONGE AND NEEDLE COUNTS CORRECT
- WHAT PROCEDURE WAS PERFORMED?
- HOW IS THE SPECIMEN LABELLED (INCLUDING PATIENT NAME)?
- ARE THERE ANY EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTIONS OR ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED? NO YES, AND RESPONSE PLAN FORMULATED

SURGEON, ANESTHESIA PROFESSIONAL AND NURSE REVIEW:

- WHAT ARE THE KEY CONCERNS FOR RECOVERY AND MANAGEMENT OF THIS PATIENT AND WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN DONE BETTER?
- BETA BLOCKER PLANNED POSTOPERATIVELY NOT APPLICABLE (NOT ON PREOP BETA BLOCKER, NO INDICATIONS)

Return with PL
to

Main or Pavilion Front Desk.

SIGNATURE (ON BEHALF OF ENTIRE TEAM)

DATE