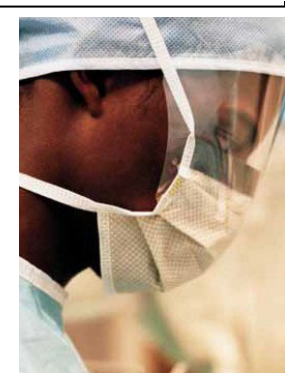


Surgical Safety Checklist



Brief Time Out DeBrief

Briefing	Time Out	Debriefing
Before Induction of Anesthesia (Circulator Initiates)	Before Skin Incision (Surgeon Initiates)	Before Surgeon and Patient Leave the Room (Circulator Initiates)
*Team Members should stop activity and respond to each question of the briefing, time out, and debriefing.		
STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3
1. Has the patient been identified using two unique identifiers?	1. Have all team members introduced themselves by name and role?	1. Has circulator announced the results of the counts (instrument, sponge, needle as applicable)?
2. Who is the proceduralist/surgeon and what is the procedure (including side/site)?	2. Is this the correct patient, correct procedure, and correct side? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Images are displayed and are verified as correct by surgeon • Procedure is verified with consent • Side/site is verified with markings and reports • Position is correct 	2. Has circulator confirmed exact procedure and diagnosis with surgeon?
3. Does this patient have any allergies? (drug, food, or latex)		3. Has circulator confirmed all specimens are accurately labeled prior to the patient leaving the room? (Staff should read aloud and confirm correct patient sticker on specimen.)
4. Has the anesthesia safety check been completed? (Machine and medication check)	3. Are additional time outs needed for multiple procedures?	4. Were there any delays for this case? (Assign delay codes)
5. Does the patient have a difficult airway or aspiration risk?	4. What are the safety concerns for this patient? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate pre-op antibiotic selected and started • DVT risk • Normothermia assured • Anticipated blood loss • Patient history or medication - use precautions • Implants and equipment needed present • Fire risk • Expected length of procedure • Any other concerns? 	5. Are there any permanent changes to the preference card? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Were there any equipment or instrument malfunctions or issues to report?
6. Are there any other procedures needed prior to scheduled procedure?		6. What are the key concerns for recovery and management of the patient?
		7. Are medications secured and pharmaceutical waste disposed of properly?