

Before induction of anaesthesia

(with at least nurse and anaesthetist)

Has the patient confirmed his/her identity, site, procedure, and consent?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Is the site marked?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Not applicable

Is the anaesthesia machine and medication check complete?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Is the pulse oximeter on the patient and functioning?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Does the patient have a:

Known allergy

(Please cross one)

No

Yes

Difficult airway or aspiration risk?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Yes, and equipment/assistance available

Risk of >500ml blood loss (7ml/kg in children)?

(Please cross one)

No

Yes, and two IVs/central access and fluids planned

Before skin incision

(with nurse, anaesthetist and surgeon)

Confirm all team members have introduced themselves by name and role

(Please cross one)

Confirm

Confirm the patient's name, procedure, and where the incision will be made.

(Please cross one)

Confirm

Has antibiotic prophylaxis been given within the last 60 minutes?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Not applicable

Anticipated Critical Events

To Surgeon:

(Please cross all that apply)

What are the critical or non-routine steps?

How long will the case take?

What is the anticipated blood loss?

To Anaesthetist:

(Please cross one)

Are there any patient-specific concerns?

To Nursing Team:

(Please cross all that apply)

Has sterility (including indicator results) been confirmed?

Are there equipment issues or any concerns?

Is essential imaging displayed?

(Please cross all that apply)

Option 1

Is essential imaging displayed?

(Please cross one)

Yes

Not applicable

Before patient leaves operating room

(with nurse, anaesthetist and surgeon)

Nurse Verbally Confirms:

(Please cross all that apply)

The name of the procedure

Completion of instrument, sponge and needle counts

Specimen labelling (read specimen labels aloud, including patient name)

Whether there are any equipment problems to be addressed

To Surgeon, Anaesthetist and Nurse:

(Please cross all that apply)

What are the key concerns for recovery and management of this patient?

This checklist is not intended to be comprehensive. Additions and modifications to fit local practice are encouraged.

The checklist is based on the World Health Organization Patient Survey (Revised 1 / 2009).

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