

SAFE SURGERY 2015: SOUTH CAROLINA

Tool 2: Surgical Safety Culture Survey

A. Hospital name: _____

B. Are you (or will you be) the person or one of the people responsible for checklist implementation in the ORs where you work?

- ⁰¹ Yes
⁰⁰ No

C. What is your primary professional role?

- ⁰¹ Surgeon
⁰² Anesthesiologist
⁰³ CRNA
⁰⁴ Surgical nurse
⁰⁵ Physician assistant
⁰⁶ Surgical tech
⁰⁷ Perfusionist
⁰⁸ Intern/Resident/Fellow
⁹⁹ Other: _____

D. How many years have you worked in this role (at any hospital)?

- ⁰¹ <1
⁰² 1-5
⁰³ 6-10
⁰⁴ >10

E. In which surgical service(s) do you work? (Check all that apply.)

- ⁰¹ General
⁰² Trauma
⁰³ Orthopedic
⁰⁴ Neurosurgery
⁰⁵ Cardiac
⁰⁶ Thoracic
⁰⁷ Vascular
⁰⁸ Pediatric
⁰⁹ ENT
¹⁰ Urology
¹¹ Gynecology
¹² Ambulatory
⁹⁹ Other: _____

F. In which service do you work most often? (Check one.)

- ⁹⁸ N/A: No primary service
⁰¹ General
⁰² Trauma
⁰³ Orthopedic
⁰⁴ Neurosurgery
⁰⁵ Cardiac
⁰⁶ Thoracic
⁰⁷ Vascular
⁰⁸ Pediatric
⁰⁹ ENT
¹⁰ Urology
¹¹ Gynecology
¹² Ambulatory
⁹⁹ Other: _____

G. Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

- ⁰¹ Yes
⁰⁰ No
⁹⁷ Decline to answer
⁹⁶ Unknown

H. Which category best describes your race?

- ⁰¹ American Indian or Alaska Native
⁰² Asian
⁰³ Black or African American
⁰⁴ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
⁰⁵ White
⁰⁶ Multiracial
⁹⁷ Decline to answer
⁹⁶ Unknown

I. Age:

- ⁰¹ 18-25
⁰² 26-35
⁰³ 36-45
⁰⁴ 46-55
⁰⁵ >55
⁹⁷ Decline to answer

J. Gender:

- ⁰¹ Male
⁰⁰ Female
⁹⁷ Decline to answer

	Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree
1. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members are open to changes that improve patient safety, even if it means slowing down.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
2. In the ORs where I work, the Joint Commission "Time Out" is used in every case by every surgical team.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
3. In the ORs where I work, the Joint Commission "Time Out" was difficult to implement.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
4. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members all agree on the importance of using checklists in surgery.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
5. In the ORs where I work, interest in checklist implementation is limited to one profession (e.g., surgery, anesthesia, or nursing).	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
6. In the ORs where I work, I am encouraged to report any patient safety concerns I may have.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
7. In the ORs where I work, it is difficult to discuss medical mistakes.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
8. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members appear to struggle and do not ask one another for help.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
9. In the ORs where I work, it is difficult to speak up when I perceive problems with patient care.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	

	Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree
10. In the ORs where I work, team discussions (e.g., briefings or debriefings) are common.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
11. In the ORs where I work, communication breakdowns frequently lead to delays in starting surgical procedures.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
12. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members make sure their comments or instructions are heard.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
13. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members share key information as it becomes available.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
14. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members appear eager to help one another.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
15. In the ORs where I work, physicians and nurses work together as a well-coordinated team.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
16. In the ORs where I work, surgeons and anesthesia providers work together as a well-coordinated team.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
17. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members from different disciplines always discuss patients' conditions and the progress of operations.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
18. In the ORs where I work, plans for patient care are adapted as needed.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
19. In the ORs where I work, physicians are only open to suggestions from other physicians.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
20. In the ORs where I work, disagreements are resolved with an emphasis not on who is right but what is right for the patient.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
21. In the ORs where I work, decision-making is shared among disciplines in response to changes in patients' conditions or issues that arise during operations.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
22. In the ORs where I work, physicians are present and actively participating in patient care prior to skin incision.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
23. In the ORs where I work, physicians maintain a positive tone throughout operations.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
24. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members communicate with me in a respectful manner.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
25. In the ORs where I work, my input about patient care is well received by other surgical team members.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
26. In the ORs where I work, I am always treated as a valuable member of the surgical team.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
27. In the ORs where I work, potential errors or mistakes are pointed out without raised voices or condescending remarks.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
28. In the ORs where I work, surgical team members refer to each other by role instead of name (e.g., "Nurse" instead of "Dana").	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
29. In the ORs where I work, surgical teams always discuss the operative plan (i.e., more than the location of the incision and name of the procedure) before incision.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
30. In the ORs where I work, for complex patients or cases, preoperative briefings always include planning for potential problems.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
31. In the ORs where I work, postoperative debriefings always include a discussion of key concerns for patient recovery and post-op management.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
32. In the ORs where I work, equipment issues or other problems discussed in postoperative debriefings are addressed in a timely manner.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
33. I would feel safe being treated here as a patient.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
34. If I were having an operation, I would want a surgical safety checklist to be used.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	
35. Pressure to move quickly from case to case gets in the way of patient safety.	① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦	

■ Thank you for your time. ■