

Abbeville Area Medical Center Safe Surgery 2015 Checklist

Pre-operative check in

Nurse Reviews with Team:

- Patient identification (name and DOB)
- Surgical site
- Surgical Procedure to be performed matches the consent
- The site has been marked
- Known allergies
- Beta blocker at home?
- Pre op checklist flowchart completed

Anesthesia provider reviews:

- The anesthesia safety check has been completed**
- Risk of hypothermia - operation >1h**
 - Warmer in place
- Risk of venous thromboembolism**
 - SCD's and/or anticoagulants in place
 - Heparin/pharmacological VTE prophylaxis given
 - Documented reason why pharmacological VTE prophylaxis not given
- Antibiotic prophylaxis administered within 60 minutes of incision**
 - Plan for redosing discussed
 - Beta blocker taken at home? Last dose?
Date _____ time _____
- Anesthesia consent sign**

Briefing/Before Skin Incision After Anesthesia

- Introduction of all non AAMC employees
- Operative plan and possible difficulties
- Prophylactic antibiotic given
- Plan for redosing antibiotic discussed
- Blood loss estimated

Anesthesia provider discusses:

- Airway
- Anesthetic plan and other concerns

Nursing team discusses:

- Sterility, including indicator results
- Any equipment issues or other concerns

Surgeon states:

"Does anybody have any concerns? If you see something that concerns you during this case, please speak up."

Time Out

Initiated by RN - all participate, all other activities held

- Patient identified
- Surgical procedure to be performed
- Operative site marked
- Patient positioning
- Special equipment/devices/implants available
- Relevant images present/labeled/displayed
- Need abx/fluids for irrigation purposes
- Safety precautions based on patient hx and medications

Before Patient Leaves Room

Nurse reviews with team:

- Instrument, sponge and needle counts are correct
- Name of the procedure performed and recorded
- Specimen labeling
 - Read back specimen labeling including patient's name, DOB with verification with Surgeon

Debriefing

Surgical Team Discusses:

- Equipment problems that need to be addressed.
- Key concerns for patient recovery and management
- Could anything have been done to make this case safer or more efficient

- Handoff Report Given

Procedure: _____

MD: _____

