



# Unique Ways to Display a Checklist

## Pre-Op Verification

*RN, ST, and CRNA participates*

Confirm patient identification – name and date of birth

Do the procedure and consent agree?

Confirm the surgical site.

Does the patient agree? Is the site marked?

Are posted equipment needs and outside providers

Does the patient have any known allergies?

Does the patient have any contact or blood precautions?

Is a difficult airway anticipated?

Are there alternative plans? Is the appropriate equipment available?

Is there an increased risk for aspiration?

Are antibiotics on hand and begun?

Was a beta blocker given?

Is DVT prophylaxis indicated?

Is the room warm enough?

Anesthesia safety check:

Machine, Circuit, Drugs, Devices

## Pre-Op Briefing and Time Out

*Entire team participates and music is OFF*

Do we all know each other?

Introduce yourself at the beginning of the day and with relief.  
Record names on whiteboard.

**Surgeon confirms:**

- Patient name, procedure, site marked, position, imaging
- Operative plan and potential difficulties
- Expected duration of procedure
- Outpatient vs. inpatient
- Implants or special equipment
- Fire safety risk – alcohol containing preps dried (ChloroPrep) head/neck procedures, open source of oxygen
- Anticipated blood loss – if over 10%, anesthesia discusses IV is blood available and on hand, beginning Hgb/Hct

**Anesthesia providers review:**

- Allergies
- Antibiotics
- Beta blocker
- DVT prophylaxis
- Temperature regulation
- Any post-op concerns: airway issues, analgesia, ICU/specialty isolation, blood precautions

Does anyone have any concerns? If you see something that concerns you during the case, please speak up.

## End of Case Debriefing

*Entire team participates and music is OFF*

Are the counts correct?

What is the name of the procedure that was performed?

What is the post-op diagnosis?

Is the post-op diagnosis the same as the pre-op diagnosis?

Did the wound class change?

Read back specimen labels.

Any changes to plans for recovery?

Address urinary catheter management.

Are antibiotics to be continued?

Should beta blockers be continued?

Are there equipment issues to be addressed?

Could anything have been done to make this case safer or more efficient?

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Are there alternative plans in the event equipment available is found to be not available?

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Is the room warm enough?

Anesthesia safety check

Bacteria Count, Sharp, Drains

PALMETTO HEALTH

**Pre-Op Briefing and Time Out**  
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Do we all know each other?

Introduce yourself at the beginning of the day and with each other before or after work.

**Surgical Consensus:**

- Patient name, procedure, site marked, position, draping
- Orientation plus any potential difficulties
- Expected duration of procedure
- Equipment in room
- Supplies or special equipment

The safety talk - alcohol containing prep used (chloraprep), anesthesia in procedure, open reaction of oxygen, a fire extinguisher located, if over 10% anesthesia discuss to access, a blood available and on hand, emergency help call

**Are there any problems? REVIEW:**

- Allergies
- Antibiotics
- Beta blocker
- DVT prophylaxis
- Temperature regulation
- Beta blocker consensus on any issues, analgesia, N<sup>o</sup> respiratory bed, sedation, blood parameters

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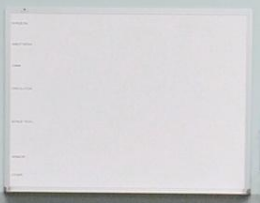
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**Dr. Sponges: Pads: Needles:**

Case:

Blades  
Bovie Tapes  
Dissectors  
Hypodermic  
Ligatures  
Ligatures  
Needles  
Suture Pads  
Tape Wipes



Poster

Name:

DOB:

Allergies:

Procedure:

- Laterality:
- Site/Drape marked
- Consent verified & complete
- NPO:
- Antibiotic Given

PRN Information: Check if appropriate for procedure or leave blank if not applicable.

- Difficult Airway/Aspiration Risk - equipment ready
- Anticipated Blood loss
- Sterility Indicators Confirmed
- Imaging displayed
- Implants reviewed and present
- Equipment/Supplies reviewed and present

Debriefing at the end of the case:

- Procedure Confirmed and noted in chart
- Counts - complete and correct/incorrect noted
- Wound Class Addressed & Noted
- Wound: Packing/Drains
- Specimen(s) confirmed and noted in chart
- Equipment/Supply/preference card concerns
- Any PACU concerns discussed

COUNTED ITEMS:

Sponges: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Laps: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Needles: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Blades:

Bovie Tips:

Peanuts:

Patties:

Staple Reloads:

Vaginal Occluder: (bulb, glove, etc)

Hypos:

Scratch Pad:

Tonsil Sponges:

Fred:

Type:

In Time:

Pieces:

Out Time:

Instrument Trays:

HYST TRAY:

GYN LAP:

LAP CHOLE:

MAJOR:

MINOR:

HIP STRINGER:

EXTRAS:

PICKUPS:

WING:

2x3  
whiteboard

# The Checklist On An IV Pole



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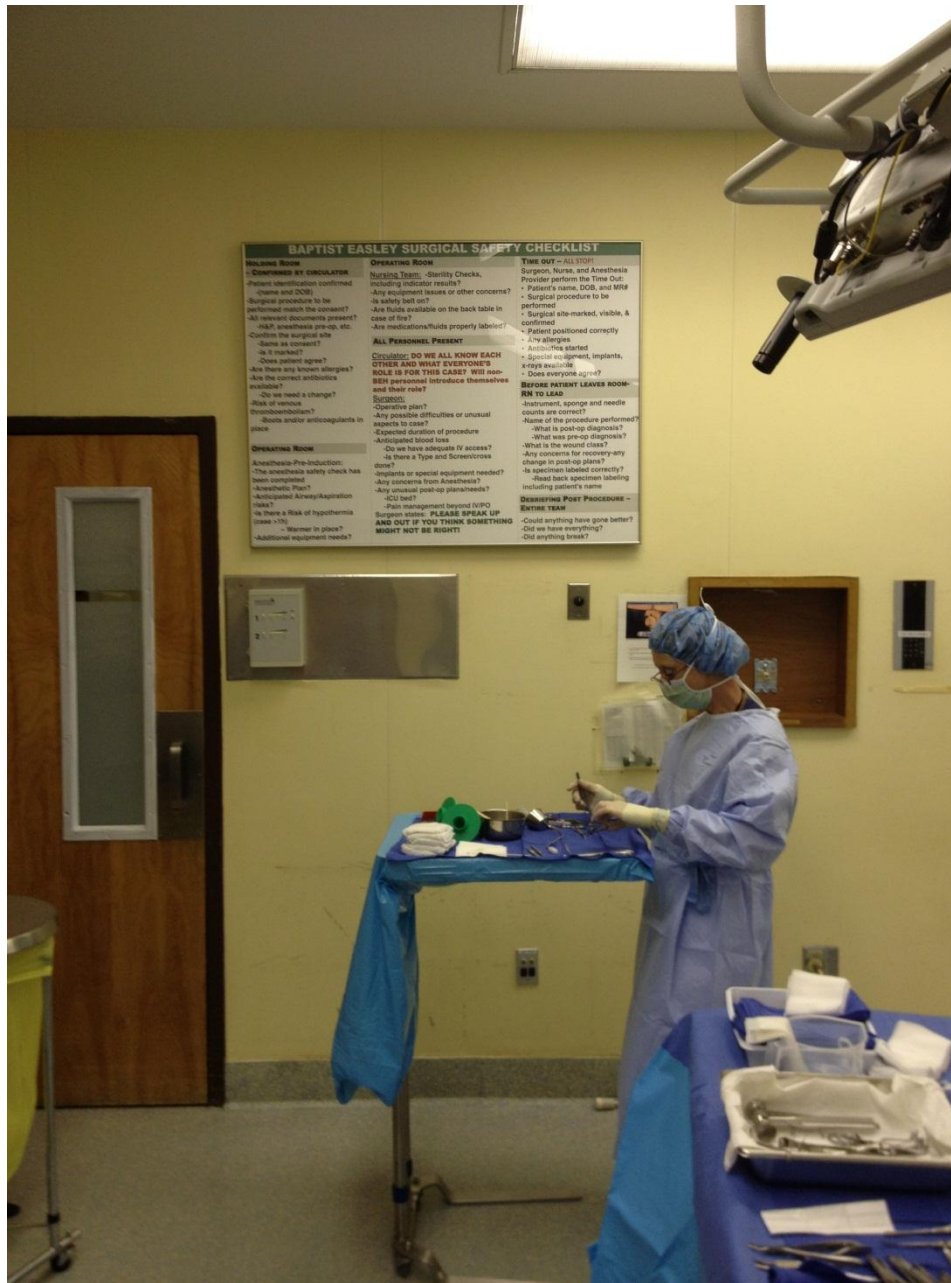
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**Surgeon  
briefing in  
the patient  
chart**



**36"x48"**  
**poster on**  
**the**  
**operating**  
**room wall**