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Surgical Safety Checklist

Date of Surgery _____

Before induction of anaesthesia (with at least nurse and anaesthetist)	Before skin incision (with at least nurse and anaesthetist)	Before patient leaves operation theatre (with nurse, anaesthetist and surgeon)
Sign In:	Time Out	Sign Out:
Has the patient confirmed his/her identity, site, procedure, and consent? ☐ Yes	☐ Confirm all team members have introduced themselves by name and role. ☐ Confirm the patient's name, procedure, and where the incision will be made.	Nurse Verbally Confirms: ☐ 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
Is the site marked? ☐ Yes ☐ Not applicable	Has antibiotic prophylaxis been given within the last 60 minutes? ☐ Yes ☐ Not applicable	To Surgeon, Anaesthetist and Nurse: ☐ What are the key concerns for recovery and management of this patient?
Is the anaesthesia machine and medication check complete? ☐ Yes	Anticipated Critical Events	

	To Surgeon: ☐What are the critical or non-routine steps? ☐How long will the case take? ☐What is the anticipated blood loss? To Anaesthetist: ☐Are there any patient-specific concerns? To Nursing Team: ☐Has sterility been confirmed? ☐Are there equipment issues or any concerns?	
Is the pulse oximeter on the patient and functioning? ☐Yes	Is essential imaging displayed? ☐Yes ☐Not applicable	
Does the patient have a: Known allergy? ☐No ☐Yes Difficult airway or aspiration risk? ☐No ☐Yes, and equipment/assistance available Risk of >500ml blood loss (7 ml/kg in children)? ☐No ☐Yes and IVs/central access and fluids planned		

Signature of Anaesthetist

Signature of Surgeon

Signature of Nurse

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