Surgical Safety Checklist

**Sign In (Before induction of anesthesia)**
- Patient confirmation
  - Identity (Name and birth date)
  - Site/side
  - Procedure
- Informed consent
- Site marked
  - Not applicable
  - Yes
- Patient known allergy?
  - Yes
  - No
- Anesthesia safety check completed
- Pulse oximeter on patient and functioning
- Difficult airway/aspiration risk?
  - Yes, and equipment/assistance available
  - No
- Risk of >500mL blood loss (7mg/kg in children)?
  - Yes, and adequate intravenous access and fluids planned; blood products available
  - No

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- Risk of >500mL blood loss (7mg/kg in children)?

**Time Out/Pause (Before skin incision)**
- Briefing
  - Positioning
  - Implants
  - Instrumentation
  - Special equipment/supplies
  - Special personnel needs
  - Special precautions
- Confirm all team members have been introduced and actively participate

**Surgical team verbally confirm**
- Patient (Name and Mayo Clinic Number)
- Site/side
- Procedure/positioning
- Site marking
  - Visible
  - Armband
  - Not Applicable
- Briefing issues addressed

**Sign Out (Before patient leaves operating room)**
- RN verbally confirms with the team:
  - The name of the procedure completed and wound classification
  - Instrument, sponge, and sharp counts completed
    - Not applicable
  - All specimens appropriately labeled and sent
    (Including patient name)
    - Not applicable
  - Whether there are any equipment or other problems to be addressed
  - Surgical team review the key concerns for recovery and management of this patient
  - If intestinal surgery, take patients postoperative temperature in the OR and enter in perioperative record

*Please return completed forms to your specialty manager*

Adapted from the World Health Organization Surgical Safety Checklist