

Safe Surgery Checklist (RBH)

Before induction of anaesthesia



Just before skin incision



Before patient leaves theatre

SIGN IN

- o **PATIENT HAS CONFIRMED**
 - IDENTITY
 - SITE
 - PROCEDURE
 - CONSENT
- o **SITE MARKED/NOT APPLICABLE**
- o **ANAESTHESIA SAFETY CHECK COMPLETED**
- o **ECG + SpO2 APPLIED & FUNCTIONING**
- o **MONITORING ALARMS SET**
- DOES PATIENT HAVE A:
KNOWN ALLERGY?**
- o NO
- o YES
- DIFFICULT AIRWAY/ASPIRATION RISK?**
- o NO
- o YES, & EQUIPMENT / ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE
- RISK OF >500ML BLOOD LOSS
(7ML/KG IN CHILDREN)?**
- o NO
- o YES & adequate IV access planned
- AND either:**
- o Blood in fridge checked
- o Pt electronic Xmatch identity checked



TIME OUT - EVERYTHING STOPS FOR THIS

- o **ALL TEAM MEMBERS INTRODUCE THEMSELVES BY NAME & ROLE & NAMES DISPLAYED ON THE BOARD.**
 - o SURGEON, ANAESTHETIST & NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRM
 - PATIENT
 - SITE
 - PROCEDURE
 - ANTICIPATED CRITICAL EVENTS**
 - o SURGEON : ARE THERE ANY CRITICAL OR UNEXPECTED STEPS, OR SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS THE TEAM NEED TO KNOW ABOUT?
 - o ANAESTHESIA TEAM: ARE THERE ANY PATIENT-SPECIFIC CONCERNS, DRUGS, EQUIPMENT OR BLOOD YOU NEED?
 - o NURSING TEAM: ARE THERE EQUIPMENT ISSUES OR CONCERNS WITH EQUIPMENT YOU HAVE? ARE APPROPRIATE SIZE PROSTHESES AVAILABLE?
 - HAS ANTIBIOTIC PROPHYLAXIS BEEN GIVEN WITHIN THE LAST 60 MINUTES?**
 - o YES
 - o NOT APPLICABLE
 - IS ESSENTIAL IMAGING DISPLAYED?**
 - o YES
 - o NOT APPLICABLE
 - DEFIBRILLATOR TESTED?**
 - o YES
 - o NOT APPLICABLE
 - REDO PADS APPLIED?**
 - o YES
 - o NOT APPLICABLE
- CARDIAC CASES ONLY



SIGN OUT

- NURSE VERBALLY CONFIRMS WITH THE TEAM**
- o THE NAME OF THE PROCEDURE RECORDED
- o THAT INSTRUMENT, SPONGE AND NEEDLE COUNTS ARE CORRECT
- o HOW THE SPECIMEN IS LABELLED (INCLUDING PT NAME)
- o WHETHER THERE ARE ANY EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS TO BE ADDRESSED
- o PACING LEAD PLACEMENT & FUNCTION CONFIRMED
- o SURGEON, ANAESTHETIST & NURSE REVIEW THE KEY CONCERNS FOR RECOVERY & MANAGEMENT OF THIS PATIENT
- o RECOVERY / AICU WARNED OF PATIENT ARRIVAL & MONITORING / VENTILATOR / NO / VAD REQUIREMENTS