

# Safe Surgery Checklist

## Check In

*(Upon arrival to procedure area / prior to induction)*

**Circulator leads**

- Patient Confirmation  
Name and MRN  
ID Band verified with consent?
- Patient known allergy?
- VTE prophylaxis Plan?
- Antibiotic prophylaxis given / documented within last 60 minutes?
- Anticipated implants / equipment available?
- Anesthesia machine and medicine check complete?
- Pulse oximeter on patient and functioning?
- Difficult airway or aspiration risk?
- Patient temperature management plan for normothermia?
- EBL / Blood Plan?

## Time Out

*(Immediately Prior to Incision)*

**Surgeon / Circulator leads**

- Stop activity and make room quiet
- Circulator initiates introductions
- OR Team Verbally Confirms
  1. Patient Name and MRN
  2. Procedure (s)
  3. Site/Side verification
  4. Site Marked?
  5. Site marker present in OR?
  6. Fire risk assessment
- Re-Confirm implants / equipment
- Essential imaging displayed?
- Surgeon Review:  
Critical or unexpected steps?  
Operative duration? EBL?
- Anesthesia Review:  
Patient specific concerns?  
Beta Blockade?
- Nurse Review:  
Sterility confirmed?  
Relief plan communicated?

## Check Out

*(Initiation of Closure)*

**Circulator leads**

- ID Band on patient?
- Procedures performed?
- Specimen verification
  1. Read aloud patient name.
  2. Specimen name?
  3. Destination?
  4. Transport Mode?
- Specific concerns for recovery management of this patient?
- Inform surgeon of status of closing count.
- Instrument, supply, or implant issues for DPC?

