

Step 1: Prior to Incision

ALL TEAM MEMBERS STOP ACTIVITY AND BEGIN CHECKLIST

- Team Members introduce themselves (when personnel have changed)
- Introduce patient, verify consent, procedure
- Confirm site marked and if there is a single or multiple operative field

Anesthesia Team Reviews

- Airway issues or other patient-specific concerns (special meds, health conditions affecting recovery, etc.)
- Patient allergies reviewed N/A
- Antibiotics given within 60 mins before incision N/A

Surgeon Reviews

- Brief description of procedure and anticipated difficulties
- Describe implants needed, unusual instruments OR supplies N/A
- Confirm that essential imaging is displayed and correctly oriented N/A

Nursing Team Reviews

- Confirm that supplies and implants are available N/A
- If using an implant, confirm expiration dates N/A

Step 2: Process Control

IF PROCEDURE IS EXPECTED TO BE LONGER THAN ONE HOUR:

- Active warming in place N/A
- Glucose checked for diabetic patients N/A
- VTE prophylaxis N/A

Step 3: Debriefing—At Completion of Case

- (Surgeon and Nursing) Before closure: Confirm that instrument, sponge, and needle counts correct
 If counts incorrect, confirm x-ray negative
- (Surgeon and Nursing) Confirm specimen, label & instructions to pathologist N/A
- (All) Confirm name of procedure
- (All) Equipment issues to be addressed? No Yes, and response plan formulated (Who/When)
- (All) What could have been better? Nothing Something, with plan to address (Who/ When)
- (Surgeon and Anesthesia) Key concerns for recovery (e.g., plan for pain management, nausea/vomiting)