

Operating room checklist

Date: .../.../.... Total checklist standards= -----Total fulfilled checklist standards=-----Compliance %=-----

	DISCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
1	All areas & surfaces are clean & dust free				
2	Finishing & furniture & equipment are in a good condition & well maintained				
3	Ventilation system (filter types/frequency of replacement /frequency of air changes/pressure/temperature/and humidity)are maintained and checked regularly				
Sterile and clean stores					
4	Dry clean				
5	Well ventilated				
6	Containers are washable and cleanable				
7	Items are stored properly				
8	Sterile items within the expiry date				
9	Solutions and multidose vials discarded as recommended.				
10	All doors / hatch windows of operating rooms are well sealed				
11	Cleaning and disinfection of the theatre environment and equipment including blood spillage is done regularly and as required according to infection control guidelines . (At the beginning of the day, between operations, at the end of the day)				

DISCRIPTION		YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
Surgical scrub					
12	Scrub facilities are available & well located				
13	The operating team scrub their hands prior to the first operation on the list using an aqueous antiseptic detergent, with a single-use brush or pick for the nails, and ensure that hands and nails are visibly clean.				
14	Surgical scrub at least 3-5 minutes (up to elbow) using appropriate antiseptic.				
15	Hand scrubbed before subsequent operations, using an antiseptic surgical solution for 1-2 minutes. If hands are soiled then they should be scrubbed again with an antiseptic detergent (3-5 minutes)				
16	After performing the surgical scrub, keep hands up and away from the body (elbows in flexed position) so that water runs from the tips of the fingers toward the elbows				
17	Scrubbed arms not touching objects.				
18	Hands dried using separate sterile towel for each hand starting from fingers to elbow before donning a sterile gown and gloves				
19	Scrubbing brush not left on hand basin after use				
Hand hygiene facilities					
20	Antiseptic detergent is available at all sinks including toilets and changing rooms				
21	Appropriate alcoholic hand rub is available at the entrance of the theatre and in all patient care areas (anesthesia rooms and recovery rooms)				
22	Paper towels are available at all sinks in clinical area.				
23	Sinks are draining smoothly.				
24	The sinks are free from used equipment.				
25	A poster demonstrating a good hand washing technique is available by at least one sink.				

	DISCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
Personal Protective Equipment					
26	Surgical mask is covering the mouth nose and beard when entering the operating room if an operation is about to begin or already under way, or if sterile instruments are exposed.				
27	Mask is worn throughout the operation ,other personnel in the operating theatre are wearing a surgical mask if an operation is being performed.				
28	The team is calm with minimal movement and talking.				
29	All necessary equipment for the procedure are properly arranged inside operation room before start of operation				
Instruments and other issues					
30	Dirty instruments and waste are properly handled and transported				
31	Single use items are not reused				
32	Surgical instruments are not washed manually in the theatre.				
33	Sterilization in the theatre is not routinely used.				
34	Only the required surgical team is present in the operating room during the procedure.				
35	Sharp instruments and needles are not passed from hand to hand, intermediate tray is used, announcing when instruments are being passed.				
36	Surgeon is not supposed to tie suture while keeping the needle in hand				
37	Telephones, supplies, charts are not touched with bloody gloves, new clean gloves should be used if needed				
38	Team does not remove surgical attire until the wound has been dressed and the risk of contact with bloody drapes had been eliminated				
39	Team does not leave operating room with bloody shoe or gown				

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40	Surgical attire is taken off, gloves are the first to be taken off, hands and forearms are washed.				
41	Pre-operative hair removal if needed is to be done on least possible skin area, as close as possible from operating time (not more than 2 hours) using electric hair clipper				
42	Pre-operative skin antisepsis is achieved by the use of the proper antiseptic and being left over the skin for spontaneous drying.				
43	Preoperative skin antiseptics are approved, properly stored ,handling is prevented from contamination and within the expiry date .				
44	Infected/ colonized cases are done at the end of the list				
	Total				

Completed by: ----- Nurse in charge: -----