Presenter - Sheila Street Accomplished E/N at the Conference Wellington June 2015
Loving the Skin of the Moment

Flap-Necked Chameleon

Famous for changing the color of their skin, chameleons are more like mood rings, with their color changes reflecting mood, temperature, light, and other stimuli.

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Leaving for work!

Dressed for work

Dressed for doing work!
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Non-technical skills of the operating theatre scrub nurse: literature review 2008

Lucy Mitchell & Rhona Flin

Relevant to theatre (Nurses in particular)

Possibility to develop a tool in the quest for delivery of safe and proficient performance.

Altho this review covers Scrub Nurse it also involved looking at Reviews with Anaesthetists and Surgeons (nurses - SPLINTS) (ANTS) (NOTTS)

April 2014
1. A DVD for teaching Laparoscopic Appendix procedure


3. Welcome to General Theatres
4. Laparoscopic Appendix teaching tool (available on WaitemataDHB intranet)

5. Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy to Open conversion

6. Mentee’s Handbook – most recent
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A Need

A willingness

Right environment

Experience
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Anaesthetic Nurse –

Circulating Nurse -

Scrub Nurse –
Anaesthetic Nurse Role.

Assist with positioning of Theatre Bed for surgery (Lap Adrenalectomy) & patient positioning for case.
Circulating Nurse Role.

Giving the scrub nurse the equipment/instruments she needs.
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Scrub Nurse Role.

Keeping the Surgeon happy!

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**3. SCRUB NURSE**

1. Check trolley
2. Check surgeon’s preference sheet – select correct sutures
3. Scrub/gown/glove as per DHB Policy
4. Set up trolley in a methodical way
5. Inform Circulating Nurse when ready for a count.

**Pre-Surgery**

- Count as per DHB Policy
- Raytec
- Laparotomy Sponges
- Sutures
- Blades
- Instruments
- Count written on white board
- Paint as per DHB Policy
- Drape as per theatre procedure
- Placing sterile equipment on operating field (diathermy etc)
- Ask for Timeout if not already done
- Works in partnership with circulating nurse
- Confidently vocalizes needs to circulating nurse
- Initiates 1st peri-surgical Count (Laparotomy or axillary dissection)
- Collects all appropriate instruments from surgical field
- 2nd or 3rd skin count
- Double confirms with circulating nurse all instruments are accounted for
- Washes, dries covers wound area
- Removes drapes into appropriate receptacle
- Practices universal precautions when discarding sharps/disposables in sluice room

**PACU:**

- Handover to Allocated Bed space Nurse
- Writes case details into PACU Book

**Comments:**

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My thanks must go to: All of you for listening!

New Graduate R/Ns of 2004 – for believing in me

Work colleagues - for putting up with what may have seemed bizarre requests

WaitemataDHB for employing new Graduate E/Ns

New Graduate E/Ns of 2014 – thank you for your input and comments and that you chose to be an

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