



## STANDARD 2: Perioperative nurses practice evidence based nursing care supported by nursing knowledge and reasoned decision making

Recommended Practice	Examples in practice	References
<p><b>Documentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perioperative nurses should develop evidence based policy and guidelines.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information Technology</li> <li>• Surgical Safety Checklist</li> <li>• Perioperative care planning/pathways</li> <li>• Adverse events</li> <li>• Count procedure</li> <li>• Informed consent</li> </ul>	<p><a href="#">PNC Guidance – Surgical Safety Checklist</a>            Code of Health and Disability Consumer’s Rights 1996            Privacy Act 1993            Health Information Privacy Code 1994            Human Rights Act 1993            The Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988            The Children’s, Young Persons and Their Families Act 1989            Guardianship Act 1968            Consent and the Mental Health Act (1992 and Amendments)</p> <p><a href="#">AORN</a> Guidance Statement: ‘Do not use’ Abbreviations, Acronyms, Dosage Designations and Symbols – to be used in conjunction with local policy</p> <p><a href="#">AORN</a> Recommended Practices for</p>



		<p>Documentation of Perioperative Nursing Care</p> <p><a href="#">AORN</a> Recommended Practices for the Prevention of Retained Surgical Items (Sponge, Sharp and Instrument Counts)</p> <p><a href="#">AORN</a> Recommended Practices for Perioperative Healthcare Information Management</p> <p>World Health Organization. World Alliance for Patient Safety. Implementation Manual Surgical Safety Checklist 1<sup>st</sup> Edition. <a href="http://www.who.int/patientsafety/safesurgery/ss_checklist/en/">http://www.who.int/patientsafety/safesurgery/ss_checklist/en/</a></p> <p>Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Local Policy - Implementation Guidelines for Ensuring Correct Patient, Correct Side and Correct Site Surgery, <a href="http://www.surgeons.org/racs/college-resources/publications/position-papers/correct-patient,-correct-side-and-correct-site-surgery">http://www.surgeons.org/racs/college-resources/publications/position-papers/correct-patient,-correct-side-and-correct-site-surgery</a></p> <p>Royal Australian &amp; New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO) Correct Eye Surgery Guidelines.</p>
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<b>Continuous quality improvement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A continuous quality improvement plan should be consistent with the philosophy, mission and strategic goals of the Perioperative service</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Audit</li><li>Adverse events</li><li>Strategic planning</li><li>Benchmarking and external review.</li><li>Accreditation</li><li>Systematic performance measures and priority areas as opportunities for improvement</li><li>Transparent roles and responsibilities</li><li>Evaluation and feedback</li><li>Clear communication strategies.</li><li>Regular reporting and auditing.</li></ul>	<a href="http://www.hqsc.govt.nz">http://www.hqsc.govt.nz</a>



<p><b>Safe medication practice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Refer to Standard 1</a></li> </ul>		
<p><b>Perioperative research</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Perioperative nurses should be engaged in research to ensure best practice.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All practice is evidence/research based</li> <li>• Current research is accessible and accessed</li> <li>• Collaborative research to initiate change</li> <li>• Case studies</li> <li>• Research forums</li> <li>• Journal clubs</li> <li>• Visiting experts</li> <li>• Publication</li> </ul>	<p><a href="#">NZNO nursing research section</a></p> <p>Journals</p>