

STANDARDS OF PRACTICE RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Education & Professional Standards Committee of the Association of Surgical Technologists, Inc, is involved in developing standards for the surgical technology profession;

Whereas, these standards should be based on sound technical scientific principles; and

Whereas, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) have developed guidelines for infection control and the Association of Surgical Technologists, Inc and the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) have published recommended standards of practice for the operating room based on these principles; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Association of Surgical Technologists, Inc, endorses the "AST Recommended Standards of Practice for Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting" and recognizes the AORN recommended standards of practice, CDC guidelines, and AAMI guidelines. The association encourages all its members to adhere to these recommended practices as they apply to the clinical practice of surgical technology.