



SCHOOL OF SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY SCRUB SKILLS CHECKLIST

Name _____

Preceptor(s) _____

Checklist must be completed during the scrub rotation. Preceptor must initial and date under appropriate column.

SKILL	INITIALS/DATE
Introduction to the Operating Room	
1. Tour of the operating room	
2. Identify crash carts	
3. Demonstrates use of intercom/paging system	
4. Knowledge of Standard Precautions	
5. Appropriate surgical attire and PPE	
6. Knowledge of aseptic principles	
7. Terminal cleaning of the operating room	
Preparing for Surgical Procedure	
1. Utilizes computer information-reviews surgeon preference sheet	
2. Completes case prep record and clinical experience record	
3. Checks case cart for appropriate supplies and equipment	
4. Gathers additional instruments, supplies, and equipment based on surgeon preference card	
5. Correctly identifies instruments and supplies	
6. Table set up is completed in a timely manner	
7. Mayo stand set up is completed in a timely manner	
8. Maintains an organized surgical site, back table, and mayo stand	
9. Assures all instruments/equipment is functioning before use and initiates corrective action when instrument/equipment is malfunctioning	

SKILL	INITIALS/DATE
Maintaining Sterile Field/Aseptic Technique	
1. Demonstrates knowledge of traffic patterns in the operating rooms and corridors	
2. Wears appropriate surgical attire and PPE	
3. Opens sterile supplies utilizing principles of aseptic technique and checks the integrity of sterile items.	
4. Pours sterile solutions using aseptic technique	
5. Completes surgical scrub according to hospital policy	

6. Gowns and gloves self	
7. Gowns and gloves team members	
8. Monitors for breaks in sterile technique and initiates proper action for breaks in technique	
9. Demonstrates proper use of autoclave	
10. Demonstrates proper use of Steris machine	
11. Utilizes neutral zone technique when handling sharps	
Understanding of Planned Surgical Procedure	
1. Properly arranges instruments and supplies on instrument table	
2. Properly arranges instruments and supplies on mayo stand	
3. Ensures accessibility of operative site by proper prepping and draping	
4. Acts as a surgical assistant and performs effectively in the role	
5. Passes instruments in proper position of use	
6. Demonstrates proper loading and handling of suture, needles, and blades	
7. Demonstrates proper use of stapling equipment	
8. Demonstrates isolation of specific contaminated instruments	
9. Anticipates the needs of the surgeon	
10. Prepares appropriate wound drains	

SKILL	INITIALS/DATE
Demonstrates Safe Patient Care	
1. Verifies the operative site	
2. Adheres to OR Count Policy and assumes responsibility and accountability during instrument, sharp, and sponge counts	
3. Initiates appropriate actions for incorrect counts	
4. Correctly handles and labels medications on the sterile field	
5. Correctly handles specimens according to hospital policy	
Responsibility for Professional Practice	
1. Adheres to AST Standards of Practice	
2. Communicates educational plan for the day and learning objectives to staff members	
3. Collaborates with staff members and surgeons	
4. Participates in staff development activities	
5. Accepts suggestions and criticism in the spirit of educational growth	
Decontamination of Room and Equipment	
1. Removes all instruments before disposing of drapes	
2. Applies dressings and assists with preparation for patient discharge	
3. Removes and disposes of soiled drapes correctly	
4. Prepares surgical instruments for decontamination	
5. Transports soiled case cart to decontamination area	
6. Performs room turnover/assists with room cleaning	

Student Signature:_____

Preceptor Signature:_____

Faculty Signature:_____