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## Patient Safety Tool: AORN's Surgical Checklist

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The Association of periOperative Registered Nurses offers a free surgical checklist to ensure patient safety and help facilities meet The Joint Commission's Universal Protocol requirements.

The AORN Comprehensive Surgical Checklist was created in 2010 by representatives from AORN and The Joint Commission and contributors to the [World Health Organization Surgical Safety Checklist](#). The checklist includes safety checks from the WHO's checklist as well as safety checks within the [Universal Protocol](#) to help organizations meet accreditation requirements.

The checklist addresses pre-procedure check-in, sign-in, [time-out](#) and sign-out.

Download the [AORN Comprehensive Surgical Checklist](#) for use in your own facility.

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