

ATI Skills Modules Checklist for Surgical Asepsis



For faculty use only

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| Item |  | Check/ initial | Comments |
| Verify order | Patient record |  |  |
| Assess for procedure need |  |  |
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| Identify, gather, and prepare equipment and supplies | Surgical attire  (scrub shirt, scrub pants, hair cover, shoe covers, mask, protective eyewear [glasses, goggles, or face shield]) |  |  |
| Surgical scrub Traditional hand scrub  (antibacterial soap, running water, plastic nail pick, surgical scrub sponge/brush, sterile towel)  Alcohol-based handrub  (antibacterial soap, running water, plastic nail pick, paper towels, alcohol-based rub) |  |  |
| Surgical gowning (sterile gown) |  |  |
| Surgical gloving (sterile gloves) |  |  |
| Surgical field  (work surface, sterile package, sterile drape, sterile items, sterile solution, sterile gloves) |  |  |
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| Apply principles of aseptic practice | Hand hygiene |  |  |
| Personal protective equipment |  |  |
| Disposal of waste |  |  |
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| Communicate effectively | Privacy |  |  |
| Patient identification |  |  |
| Patient teaching |  |  |
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| Item |  | Check/ initial | Comments |
| Provide for a safe environment | Body mechanics |  |  |
| Equipment placement |  |  |
| Patient safety |  |  |
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| Demonstrate procedural steps | | | |
| Item | Task | Check/ initial | Comments |
| Surgical attire | Don scrubs. |  |  |
| Don shoe covers. |  |  |
| Don mask. |  |  |
| Don protective eyewear. |  |  |
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| Traditional hand scrub | Prewash and rinse, cleaning from fingers to 2 inches above elbow. |  |  |
| Clean under nails with nail pick. |  |  |
| Clean with antimicrobial surgical scrub sponge/brush from fingers to 2 inches above elbows. |  |  |
| Use counted stroke or timed scrub method. |  |  |
| Rinse from fingers to elbows. |  |  |
| Keep arms away from body and hands above waist. |  |  |
| Dry both hands and arms with sterile towel. |  |  |
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| Alcohol-based handrub | Prewash and rinse, cleaning from fingers to 2 inches above elbows. |  |  |
| Clean under nails with nail pick. |  |  |
| Dry hands and arms with paper towels. |  |  |
| Dispense alcohol-based rub into one hand. |  |  |
| Dip fingertips of other hand into rub. |  |  |
| Work into nails, fingers, and hands. |  |  |
| Rub to 2 inches above elbows. |  |  |
| Allow to air dry. |  |  |
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| Surgical gowning | Independent: | | |
| Lift gown off surface by grasping below neck band. |  |  |
| Step back from sterile field. |  |  |
| Let gown unfold. |  |  |
| Work arms into sleeves. |  |  |
| Keep hands inside cuffs. |  |  |
| Have assistant pull gown over shoulders and secure at neck and waist. |  |  |
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| Demonstrate procedural steps | | | |
| Item | Task | Check/ initial | Comments |
| Surgical gowning (continued) | With assistance: | | |
| Have assistant hold gown at arm’s length just below neck band and let  it unfold. |  |  |
| With assistant holding gown at shoulder height with inside of gown facing out, step forward and place both arms into sleeves simultaneously. |  |  |
| Have another assistant pull gown over shoulders and secure at neck and waist. |  |  |
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| Securing front tie: | | |
| With sterile gloved hand, untie the front waist tie. |  |  |
| Hold shorter end in one hand and longer end with attached pull tab out for assistant. |  |  |
| While assistant holds tab, turn around to wrap tie around waist and secure. |  |  |
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| Surgical gloving | Open: | | |
| Grasp folded edge of cuff of dominant- hand glove, touching only inside surface of glove. |  |  |
| Pull glove over dominant hand, keeping cuff folded over glove. |  |  |
| With gloved dominant hand, slide fingers underneath cuff of second glove. |  |  |
| Lift glove up and away from sterile wrapper. |  |  |
| Pull glove over nondominant hand, keeping cuff folded over glove. |  |  |
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| Closed: | | |
| With hands covered by sleeves of gown, open sterile inner wrapper. |  |  |
| With dominant hand, grasp folded cuff of nondominant-hand glove. |  |  |
| Hold nondominant hand out with palm of hand up. |  |  |
| Lay glove on palm of nondominant hand with fingers pointing toward body. |  |  |
| With nondominant hand, grasp bottom fold of cuff. |  |  |
| Use dominant hand to grasp glove by top fold and pull it over end of sleeve. |  |  |
| Use dominant hand to adjust glove. |  |  |
| Repeat with other glove. |  |  |
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| Surgical gloving (continued) | Assisted: | | |
| Starting with dominant glove, grasp both sides of glove under the cuff. |  |  |
| Hold the glove out with palm facing team member. |  |  |
| Pull glove upward as hand is placed inside glove. |  |  |
| Pull cuff of glove over cuff of gown. |  |  |
| Repeat with other glove. |  |  |
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| Documentation | | | |
| Item | Task | Check/ initial | Comments |
| Document: | Specific procedure performed |  |  |
| Time procedure was done |  |  |
| Patient’s response to care |  |  |
| If the patient has latex sensitivity or allergy |  |  |
| Any specimens or cultures obtained and sent to laboratory |  |  |
| Condition of site (size, color, drainage, odor, healing status, sutures/staples intact, signs of infection) |  |  |
| Further details about procedure (dressings, tubes, medication) |  |  |
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