

Slowing down to stay out of trouble in the operating room: remaining attentive in automaticity.

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This qualitative study explored the cognitive behavior of surgeons and the continuum that exists around how much attention is reinvested into monitoring activities in the operative setting. The authors suggest that remaining purposefully attentive may benefit patient safety.