

Use of a surgical safety checklist to improve team communication.

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[Surgical team communication](#) is an important element of safe care. This project report describes how one hospital implemented a [checklist program](#) that utilized time outs and [debriefings](#) to support transparency and improve surgical teamwork behaviors.