

Perioperative COVID-19 defense: an evidence-based approach for optimization of infection control and operating room management.

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The authors describe eight empirical recommendations for optimizing infection control and operating room (OR) management during the COVID-19 pandemic. Recommendations address (1) [hand hygiene](#), (2) [environmental cleaning](#), (3) patient decolonization, (4) vascular care, (5) surveillance of pathogen transmission, (6) efficient use of [personal protective equipment](#) (7) OR scheduling, and (8) postoperative recovery settings.