

## **Will the COVID-19 pandemic transform infection prevention and control in surgery? Seeking leverage points for organizational learning.**

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The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on infection [prevention efforts](#) and [healthcare-associated infections](#) is [unclear](#). This article discusses how the COVID-19 pandemic has led to adaptations to infection prevention and control and surveillance (IPCS) practices and a human factors and ergonomics perspective in surgery. Leveraging lessons learned from the pandemic, the authors use a [human factors](#) perspective to propose an enhanced infection prevention and control approach to prevent surgical site infections.