

## Factors contributing to preventing operating room "never events": a machine learning analysis.

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Surgical [never events](#) are rare but devastating for patients. Using machine learning, this study identified 24 contributing factors to two types of surgical never events - [wrong site surgery](#) and retained items. [Communication](#), the number and type of staff present, and the type and length of surgery were identified contributing factors.