

## **Improving handoffs in the perioperative environment: a conceptual framework of key theories, system factors, methods, and core interventions to ensure success.**

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Multiple [handoffs](#) during perioperative care present [opportunities](#) for error. This article outlines a conceptual framework to support the development, implementation, and evaluation of patient-centered handoffs during perioperative care. The authors describe a multi-component handoff improvement bundle including mnemonics and checklists (such as [I-PASS](#)), technology solutions to reinforce verbal handoffs, interprofessional handoff training and assessment, and leadership support to promote safety culture.