**Sterile Technique**

**Required Reading Assignments:**
   a. “Guideline for surgical attire”
   b. “Guideline for hand hygiene”
   c. “Guideline for sterile technique”
   d. “Guideline for a safe environment of care, part 2”
   e. “Guideline for sterilization.”

**Recommended Readings:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

**Videos:**
Recommended videos can be purchased through Cine-med at:  
1962 Preventing Transmissible Infections in the Perioperative Practice Setting, 2013

**Perianesthesia Nursing**

**Required Reading Assignments:**
   “Guideline for health care information management”
   Chapter 2 - “Patient Safety and Risk Management”  
   Chapter 10 - "Postoperative Patient Care and Pain Management”

**Recommended Readings:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014ASPAN.  
   *Standards of Perianesthesia Nursing*. Cherry Hill, 2006-2008  
2. 2012-2014 Perianesthesia Nursing Standards, Practice Recommendations and Interpretive Statements.  
3. Postoperative Care: Visit [http://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/Pa-St/Postoperative-Care.html](http://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/Pa-St/Postoperative-Care.html)  
4. Preoperative Care: Visit [http://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/Pa-St/Preoperative-Care.html](http://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/Pa-St/Preoperative-Care.html)
**Videos:**

1933 Perioperative Patient Assessment: Helping Patients Achieve Their Goals, 2005
1946 Perioperative Nursing Care of the Patient Receiving Moderate Sedation/Analgesia, 2010
1956 Effective Communication in the Perioperative Setting, 2012

### Perioperative Assessment

**Required Reading Assignments:**
1. [Standards of Perioperative Clinical Practice](http://www.aorn.org). AORN.
   - Chapter 1 - “Concepts Basic to Perioperative Nursing”  
   - Chapter 10 - “Postoperative Patient Care and Pain Management”  
   - Chapters 11 – 25 Assessment section of each chapter  
   - Chapter 26 - “Pediatric Surgery”  
   - Chapter 27 – “Geriatric Surgery”

**Recommended Readings:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

### Positioning

**Required Reading Assignments:**
   “Guideline for positioning the patient”  
   “Guideline for a safe environment of care, part 1”
   Chapter 6 - “Positioning the Patient for Surgery.”

**Recommended Readings:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014
Videos:
Recommended videos can be purchased through Cine-med at: http://cine-med.com/index.php?nav=aorn

1945 Safely Positioning the Surgical Patient, 2010
1942 Workplace Safety for the Perioperative Nurse, 2015

Perioperative Safety: Introduction

Required Reading Assignments:

   “Guideline for a safe environment of care, part 1”
2. AORN Web site:
   Position Statement on Patient Safety
   Position Statement on a Healthy Perioperative Practice Environment
   Chapter 2 - Patient Safety and Risk Management
   Chapter 3 – Workplace Issues and Staff Safety

Recommended Readings:
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014
2. AORN Website:
   Human Factors in Health Care Tool Kit
   Workplace Safety Tool Kit

Videos:
Recommended videos can be purchased through Cine-med at: http://cine-med.com/index.php?nav=aorn

1977 Workplace Safety in a Perioperative Setting, 2015

Perioperative Safety: Equipment Focus

Required Reading Assignments:
   “Guideline for a Safe Environment of Care, Part One”
   “Guideline for Laser Safety in Perioperative Practice Settings”
   “Guideline for Radiation Safety”
   “Guideline for Preoperative Skin Antisepsis”
   “Guideline for Care of Patients Undergoing Pneumatic Tourniquet-Assisted Procedures”

   Chapter 2 - Patient Safety and Risk Management
   Chapter 3 – Workplace Issues and Staff Safety
Recommended Readings:
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

Videos:
Recommended videos can be purchased through Cine-med at: http://cine-med.com/index.php?nav=aorn

1977 Workplace Safety in a Perioperative Setting, 2015
1953 Laser Safety in the Perioperative Setting, 2011
1968 Perioperative Fire Safety, 2014
1970 Radiation Safety in Perioperative Practice, 2014
1966 Pathophysiology and Risks of Pneumatic Tourniquet Use, 2013
1945 Safely Positioning the Surgical Patient, 2010

Perioperative Safety: Patient Focus

Required Reading Assignments:
   “Guideline for a Safe Environment of Care, Part One”
   “Guideline for Prevention of Retained Surgical Items”
   “Guideline for Sharps Safety”
   “Guideline for Positioning the Patient in the Perioperative Setting”
   “Guideline for the Prevention of Transmissible Infections”
   “Guideline for Preoperative Patient Skin Antisepsis”

   Chapter 2 - Patient Safety and Risk Management
   Chapter 3 – Workplace Issues and Staff Safety

Recommended Readings:
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

Videos:
Recommended videos can be purchased through Cine-med at: http://cine-med.com/index.php?nav=aorn

1977 Workplace Safety in a Perioperative Setting, 2015
1962 Prevention of Transmissible Infection in the Perioperative Practice Setting, 2013
1974 Preoperative Skin Antisepsis of the Surgical Patient, 2015
**Scrubbing, Gowning, and Gloving**

**Required Reading Assignments:**
   - “Guideline for hand hygiene”
   - “Guideline for surgical attire”
   - “Guideline for sterile technique”
   Chapter 4 - “Infection Prevention and Control in the Perioperative Setting (Aseptic Practices).”

**Recommended Reading:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

**Videos:**


**Skin Preps**

**Required Reading Assignments:**
   - "Guideline for preoperative patient skin antisepsis"
   Chapter 4 - "Infection Prevention and Control in the Perioperative Setting",

**Recommended Readings:**
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

**Videos:**

1974 Preoperative Skin Antisepsis, 2015
Sterilization and Disinfection

Required Reading Assignments:
   - “Guideline for high level disinfection”
   - “Guideline for sterilization”
   - “Guideline for the selection and use of packaging systems for sterilization”
   Chapter 4 - “Infection Prevention and Control in the Perioperative Setting”

Recommended Readings:
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

Videos:

1947 Sterilization in the Perioperative Setting, 2010
1958 Surgical Instrumentation: Use, Care, and Handling, 2012
1959 Powered Surgical Instruments: Components of Safe Care and Handling, 2013

The Perioperative Environment

Required Reading Assignments:
   - “Guideline for surgical attire”
   - “Guideline for transfer of patient care information”
   - “Guideline for environmental cleaning”
   - “Guideline for a safe environment of care, Part 1 and 2”
   - “Guideline for prevention of transmissible infections
   Chapter 1 - “Concepts Basic to Perioperative Nursing.”
   Chapter 2 “Patient Safety and Risk Management”
   Chapter 3 – “Workplace Issues and Staff Safety”

Recommended Readings:
1. Perioperative Competency Verification Tools and Job Descriptions. Denver, CO: AORN, Inc; 2014

Videos:

1956 Effective Communication in the Perioperative Setting, 2012
1942 Workplace Safety for the Perioperative Nurse, 2015
1962 Prevention of Transmissible Infection in the Perioperative Practice Setting, 2013
References for the Perioperative Nursing Data Set (PNDS)

Introduction to PNDS online course from AORN
http://www.aorn.org/Secondary.aspx?id=21100#axzz22KE9IH1v


Overview of PNDS (PNDS 2) - http://www.duke.edu/~newki001/