**Ways to Wage War on Infection in the Operating Room**

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**#10**

**PRACTICE GOOD HAND HYGIENE**
- Clean & short nails
- No artificial nails
- No chipped nail polish
- No skin lesion

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Wash You Hands before & after Direct Patient Care
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#9 ADHERE TO PROPER SURGICAL ATTIRE

- Inside the Dept
  - Misty green scrubs
  - No visible outside clothes
  - Scrub tops not too loose
  - Hats
  - Shoe covers or O.R.designated shoes
#9 ADHERE TO PROPER SURGICAL ATTIRE
- Outside the Dept
  - Lab coat
  - Knee-length
  - Buttoned
- Must remain in the buildings
  - Use tunnels when going to different locations

#8 REMOVE JEWELRY

#7 MAINTAIN ASEPSIS WHILE PERFORMING A STERILE PROCEDURE
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- Create a continuous sterile field starting from the procedure area
- Glove away from sterile field
- Use open-glove method

#6 KEEP ARMS AND HANDS IN APPROPRIATE PLACES

- When wet
  - In front of the chest
  - Away from the body
#6 KEEP ARMS AND HANDS IN APPROPRIATE PLACES
- While scrubbed
  - Below the chest
  - Above the waist
  - Against body

#5 RESPECT STERILE FIELDS
- When unsterile
  - Stand at least 12” away
  - Do not reach over sterile field
  - Do not walk b/w sterile fields
  - Do not place patient supplies on the floor
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- When scrubbed
  - Stay within sterile field
  - Sterile to sterile
  - Unsterile to unsterile

#4 PREP SKIN ASEPTICALLY
- Purpose – Reduce transient and resident flora
- Method
  - Clean to dirty
  - Incision/puncture to periphery

- Start at the incision/entry site
- Move outward
- No scrubbing
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- Rectangular or circular
- Continuous or intermittent
- No overlapping
- Single coat if using Chloraprep

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  - Betadine

#3 USE CLIPPER TO REMOVE HAIR

#2 WEAR MASK WITH EYE PROTECTION AT ALL TIMES
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#1 TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION WHEN ASEPSIS IS COMPROMISED
“When in doubt, consider it unsterile”