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Articles

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An easy, prompt and reproducible methodology to manage an unexpected increase of incident reports in surgery theatres
[A hospital providing 30,000 surgeries a year experienced a rise in adverse events (AEs). After analysis of the AEs a programme was developed, applied and evaluated to improve the surgical patient’s safety. The programme focused on elements of the patient’s pathway (surgical site, time-out, medical records and sponges count). The AEs decreased (RR=0.7, 95% CI=0.6 to 0.9, p<0.05) and compliance to the correct procedures applied by ORs staff has improved during the year for all items.]
Available with free registration

Better patient safety: implementing exploration and exploitation learning in daily medical practice.
[Current medical daily practice relies on guidelines, protocols and procedures (GPPs), which require exploitation. However, diagnosis, treatment, risk management and process improvements require exploration. Despite the importance of timely leaping between exploration and exploitation, in some events, medical teams fail to make the appropriate leap. This study tested a new approach including (1) a ‘thinking protocol’ (2) a GPP that encouraged leaping from exploration to exploitation.]
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Reports
The following report(s) may be of interest:

**Improving the working environment for safe surgical care: A discussion paper from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.**

[In this discussion paper, the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd) reports on what a cross-section of the UK surgical workforce believes is most needed to improve the delivery of safe surgical care within their working environment. The report uses these results, and other evidence from across the profession, to make a series of recommendations for such improvements.]

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