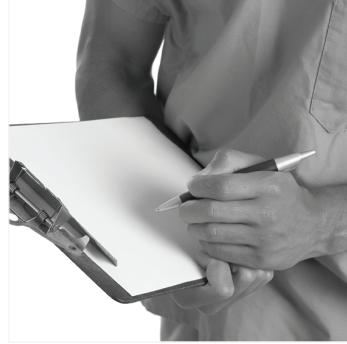


1 Why **you** need the SCOAP Surgical Checklist

Checklists are used everyday from grocery lists to sports plays to ensuring a safe plane flight. In an Operating Room (OR) the SCOAP Surgical Checklist is a critical tool to check that standard safety steps are followed.

The purpose of the SCOAP Surgical Checklist is to create a common system that all hospitals and surgeons will use to help prevent mistakes during your surgery.



3 Does your surgeon use the SCOAP Surgical Checklist?

If your hospital uses the SCOAP Surgical Checklist, your surgeon will follow the recommended safety steps.

Important: confirm this with your surgeon.

2 Does your hospital use the SCOAP Surgical Checklist?

At **no extra cost** to you, the SCOAP Surgical Checklist should be part of the standard of care.

It is **your** right to receive the safest healthcare. Choose a hospital that uses the SCOAP Surgical Checklist.

If your hospital does NOT use the SCOAP Surgical Checklist **you** can choose a hospital that does.

CHECK HERE:
www.surgicalchecklist.org
(P) 206 682.2811



4 Get your hospital and your surgeon to use the SCOAP Surgical Checklist

If neither the hospital nor the surgeon uses the SCOAP Surgical Checklist, tell them to go to www.surgicalchecklist.org or print the checklist and give it to them before your surgery.

Remember, it is **your** right to make sure that you are receiving the safest surgical care – don't be embarrassed to ask your surgeon or your health care provider.

What **you** can do to make your surgery safer