

# Surgery Checklist

**Bronze**  If the clinic does not have the ability to perform surgical procedures there must be an arrangement with another local clinic to enable such procedures

**Silver**  If the clinic has facilities to perform surgical procedures, these must meet all of the following:

- Equipment regularly serviced and maintained in good working order
- A range of suitable surgical packs, sutures and sterile instruments
- Suitable cleaning and sterilisation facilities for surgical equipment and instruments
- Sterile gowns and gloves
- Appropriate sterilisation indicators used on all packs
- Sterile packs dated, and a policy for re-sterilisation of older unused packs

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**Gold** ALL of the above PLUS;

- A dedicated operating theatre available for conduct of sterile surgery with:
  - Easily cleaned surfaces
  - A written procedure for cleaning and disinfection
  - Scrub facilities separate from ward cleaning facilities
  - Equipment suitable for illumination of surgical sites
  - Operating table constructed of non-permeable material
  - Equipment for surgical procedures ± radiography only
  - A means of displaying radiographs
- Clipping of patients prior to surgery is not performed in the operating theatre