

# **WOC Cancer Surgery Checklist**

### BEFORE INDUCTION OF ANESTHESIA

Correct patient presented (and ID collar matches patient) ☐ Pre-operative bloodwork seen and signed off Consent form signed, and procedure/s clearly stated Anesthesia plan agreed Current medication confirmed Known allergies present Surgical room ready Anesthesia machine check completed Difficult airway or aspiration risk and equipment/assistance available Risk of moderate-severe hemorrhage recorded Blood type known Blood products located and available Calculate blood volume at 8% of body weight in Kg Equipment list checked and available Area to be clipped is known Veterinarian performing surgery is available Owner is called

### BEFORE MOVING INTO SURGERY AREA

Preoperative skin prep finished

Bladder empty

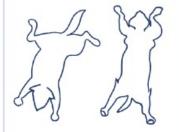
Purse string placed and patient labelled on head

Fluids/CRIs ready

Scrubbed personnel are informed patient is about to move to OR

Monopolar groundplate in place

Is the warming unit turned on



Please mark area to be clipped

#### **BEFORE SKIN INCISION**

 All team members have been introduced Confirm pet ID collar information matches that of the intended patient ☐ Confirm site of incision Confirm procedure/s Is antibiotic prophylaxis administered & appropriate Are the critical steps in the procedure Any specific concerns (anesthesia) Any specific concerns (surgeon) Is the expected procedure length recorded? What is the anticipated blood loss? Confirm team members know where blood products for this patient are stored. Are the roles of the surgical team members clear? Are the swab/sponges counted? Is the instrument table set up and sterility of instruments confirmed? Are the instruments counted? ☐ Is the ground plate connected and electrocautery on

Are essential diagnostic images

Are there appropriate formalin jars

displayed?

available?

## BEFORE PATIENT LEAVES OPERATING ROOM

- Completion of instrument, swab/sponge, and needle counts
- Calculate blood loss and record
- Is the purse string removed (if applicable)
- Person inking tissues identified
- Specimens inked & labelled, including name, and history provided
- Person calling owner identified
- Anesthetic record completed
- Surgery and anesthesia pricing sheet completed
- Ward sheet updated and ward handover completed
- Medication & monitoring orders completed
- Respiratory concerns mild/ moderate/severe
- Anticipated pain is mild/moderate/severe
- Anticipated hemorrhage is mild/moderate/severe



