AORN East Tennessee Chapter 4301 August Meeting



Implementing a Climate of Safety: Concensus Recomendations on Gloving Safety. AORN Guidelines for Perioperative Paractice.

Date: Thursday August 7, 6:00p-8:00p

Location: A Dopo Pizza Kitchen 516 Williams Street Knoxville, TN 37917

Space is limited, RSVP to Jen Parrott jennifer.parrott@kocortho.com

Overview:

In 2023, an expert group was established to develop clear guidance on surgical gloving practice from the existing literature. Their goal was to formulate recommendations to improve the safety, protection, and experience of healthcare providers and their patients. The expert panel members were assigned to one of four focus areas: Glove Fit, Double Gloving, Indicator Systems, and Glove Damage and Change Protocol; with each group conducting a systematic review of the evidence.

The 2025 Edition of the AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* emphasizes the importance of providing a climate of safety with evidence-based practices. Surgical gloves play a crucial role in ensuring the safety of both patients and practitioners. Efforts continue to establish standardized best gloving practices, supported by evidenced-based recommendations. These standardized guidelines aim to enhance clinical outcomes, improve safety, and support hand health and career longevity.

This program will provide the attendee with an overview of how these two bodies of practice align with current recommendations for practice guidelines on surgical gloving.

Learner Objectives:

After completing this continuing education activity, the participant should be able to:

- 1. Discuss the need for a consensus document centered on surgical gloving practices.
- 2. Describe how appropriate and timely glove changes provide safety for patients and clinicians..
- 3. Explore options when implementing glove recommendation changes into current practices.
- 4. Review how standardized glove practices can have an impact on future hand health.

Accreditation Information

State Board Approval

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