

STEPS TO PREPARE THE OR BEFORE PATIENT ARRIVAL

STARTING YOUR DAY

Things to know before you go!

GET YOUR ASSIGNMENT

Proceed to the appropriate OR and introduce yourself to your team.

PREPARE FOR YOUR CASE

Identify which case you are doing.

FIND A PREFERENCE CARD

These contain helpful information about the case.

SUPPLIES

Ensure you have the correct items to complete the case.

SAFETY

Identify safety needs of the patient, including determining proper positioning devices and confirming your ability to secure the patient to the OR table.

OPENING SUPPLIES

Surgical supplies are considered sterile and should be opened using aseptic technique.

Ask if you are unsure which supplies are sterile and which are not.

Do not open supplies that you are unsure will be used.

For items with difficult packaging, wait for the scrub person to assist with opening.

COUNTING

Count instruments, sharps, and soft goods according to policy.

Have initial counts completed before the patient enters the OR.

**YOU ARE NOW
READY FOR
YOUR PATIENT!**

