

# Interview guide

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**Interview number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Setting:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interview participant (profession):** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Opening information to establish relationship with participants:**

- Information on protection of anonymity of interview participants
- Clarification on role of the interviewer

## **Topic 1: Surgical antibiotic prophylaxis**

Surgical antibiotic prophylaxis is crucial in the prevention of surgical site infections, and provision of antibiotic prophylaxis is standardized for many surgical procedures. In the following, I will ask questions related to the work processes surrounding provision of surgical antibiotic processes.

- Can you tell me how surgical antibiotic prophylaxis is prescribed?
  - (Pre-, per- and postoperatively)
- Can you tell me how surgical antibiotic prophylaxis is prepared?
- Can you tell me how surgical antibiotic prophylaxis is administered?
  - (When?)
  - (Who?)
  - (How?)
- In your opinion, what is challenging in relation to surgical antibiotic prophylaxis?
  - (Can you describe a challenging episode?)
- In your opinion, what works well in relation to surgical antibiotic prophylaxis?
  - (Can you describe a «well-functioning» situation?)

## **Topic 2: World Health Organization`s Surgical Safety Checklist and teamwork:**

The SSC has been introduced as a safety tool to enhance perioperative teamwork and information exchange, by systematically reviewing critical patient factors before the induction of anaesthesia, before the incision of the skin, and before the patient leaves the operating facility.

As (the relevant profession):

- In your opinion, do you think the SSC function as intended?
  - (How?)
  - (Why?)
- Can you describe a situation in which using the SSC has been useful or positive?
  - Any experiences in relation to surgical antibiotic prophylaxis?
- Can you describe a situation in which using the SSC has been difficult?
  - Any experiences in relation to surgical antibiotic prophylaxis?

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## **Topic 3: Perioperative teamwork:**

As (the relevant profession):

- How do you experience that the SSC influence the perioperative teamwork?
- Do you have any experiences in relation to “Time-Out” and the surgical antibiotic prophylaxis item?
- Have you experienced that the SSC may influence your professional role in the perioperative teamwork?
- Do you have any experiences in relation to “Time-Out” and the surgical antibiotic prophylaxis item?

## **Closing questions:**

- Is there anything you would like to add, that you believe is of importance in relation to the topics we have discussed?
  - (Surgical antibiotic prophylaxis?)
  - (The Surgical safety checklist?)
  - (Perioperative teamwork?)
- Do you have any thoughts or feedback on this interview?

**Thank you for your participation!**