2.1.21   organizes and coordinates appropriate resources in a timely manner in preparation for the subsequent patient; and

2.1.22   has knowledge and awareness of their health care organization's policies and procedures and implements appropriately.

2.2   Scrub role

The perioperative nurse:

2.2.1   acts as the patient's advocate during the surgical procedure;

2.2.2   sets priorities and expedites an efficient aseptic setup for each surgical procedure;

2.2.3   uses a surgical conscience to monitor aseptic technique throughout the procedure;

2.2.4   is vigilant and attentive throughout the surgical procedure and responds appropriately to complications and unexpected events;

2.2.5   applies knowledge and skills while anticipating and adapting to changes in the surgical procedure;

2.2.6   performs the surgical count concurrently with the circulating perioperative nurse;

2.2.7   demonstrates knowledge and function of instruments and equipment;

2.2.8   identifies malfunction or breakage of surgical instruments and equipment and responds appropriately to ensure the patient's and health care team's safety;

2.2.9   dismantles the surgical setup in a timely manner to contribute to an efficient turnover;

2.2.10   appropriately teaches and coaches learners throughout the surgical procedure; and

2.2.11   promotes appropriate communication techniques to keep noise at a minimum.

COMPETENCY 3: PROVIDES SUPPORTIVE CARE: PATIENT, FAMILY, AND HEALTH CARE TEAM MEMBERS

3.1   To the patient and family

The perioperative nurse:

3.1.1   establishes a therapeutic relationship that fosters trust and respect;

3.1.2   advocates and supports the right of the patient to make informed decisions;

3.1.3   provides explanations to assist patient with understanding the plan of care;

3.1.4   provides an environment in which the patient feels safe;

3.1.5   remains attentive to the needs of the patient throughout the perioperative period;

3.1.6   conveys a collaborative team approach; and

3.1.7   responds to complications, unusual occurrences, and harmful incidents.