



# SafeOR™

SafeOR is a Canadian surgical safety program focused on sustained improvement in culture and collaboration in the operating room.

SafeOR is a comprehensive surgical safety program that recognizes the critical role of **culture, teamwork, and communication on team performance**. The program incorporates:

- professional growth for the full surgical team through education sessions in non-technical skills,
- support and coaching tailored to the team's quality improvement needs,
- and leadership development opportunities.

Developed by clinicians and in consultation with patient advocates, SafeOR supports a collaborative culture of learning.

SafeOR's goal is to enhance interdisciplinary learning and resources to support the effectiveness of surgical teams with a common purpose of safer surgical care, and a better patient and provider experience.

## UNIQUE PROGRAM FEATURES

This program is designed and delivered by frontline providers for **multidisciplinary operating room teams**. Its unique features include:

### **Practical:**

Delivers effective and readily usable tools to address local issues

### **Measurable:**

Evaluates the programs impact on safety and quality

### **High-quality:**

Delivered by a nationally recognized professional development provider

### **Interdisciplinary:**

Inclusion of the full surgical team in sessions focused on non-technical skills

### **Sustainable:**

Ongoing support to ensure sustained change within the institution

### **Tailored:**

Specific to the unique needs of each institution

## EXPECTED PROGRAM OUTCOMES

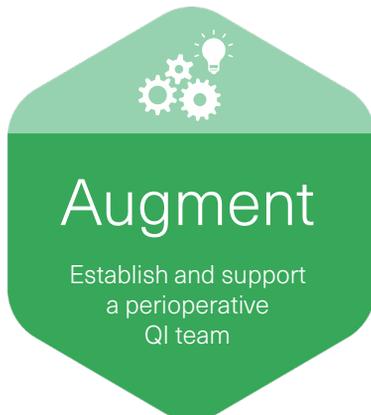
### **Safer Intra-operative Care:**

Stronger culture of safety - Higher patient satisfaction - Improved team psychological safety - Reduced patient safety incidents

### **More Engaged OR Team:**

Higher staff satisfaction - Improved well-being - Local solutions driven by frontline providers - Improved efficiency through staff retention

Designed to advance the safety, culture and efficiency within Canadian operating rooms.



### SafeOR PILLARS

Each of these pillars can be delivered on their own, depending on your institution's needs. To maximize impact and value, all three SafeOR pillars should be implemented together as one comprehensive SafeOR program.

#### Learn

SafeOR delivers 9 interdisciplinary learning modules to the full team that explore surgical safety concepts and examine the influence of non-technical skills on team performance. These interactive modules will raise team awareness of the link between culture and safety and introduce communication tools and skills that the surgical team can implement in the operating room.

#### Augment

SafeOR augments the capacity of the perioperative QI team. Interdisciplinary workshops are based on the principle that there is an opportunity for improvement in every process and on every occasion. The QI team is equipped with the knowledge and practical skills to design and lead QI initiatives. Using a local case-study, participants are introduced to the QI process, history and tools required for a successful QI program. Ongoing QI coaching is available through SafeOR.

#### Lead

Saegis recognizes the importance of investing in professional development opportunities to realize continued and sustainable improvement. Cultivating key leadership skills supports surgical teams in the development of local leaders to champion and maintain quality and safety initiatives. Through our conversations with your leadership team, we can explore these available options to best meet the needs of your organization.

SafeOR recognizes the value of interdisciplinary learning opportunities to advance a culture of safety in Canadian operating rooms and peri-operative programs.

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