Reducing Perioperative Harm

Webinar
Beyond Tick Boxing: The Checklist as a tool to change communication, teamwork, and culture
8–9am, 11 July 2014

Keynote speaker Dr William Berry MD, MPA, MPH
Hosted by Mr Ian Civil MBChB, FRACS

Dr William Berry, MD, MPA, MPH is Chief Medical Officer at Ariadne Labs and Program Director for the Safe Surgery 2015 initiative based at the Harvard School of Public Health. In this role, Dr Berry oversees the growth and development for all the research work including Safe Surgery, BetterBirth, and Serious Illness Care. He is also a Surgical Consultant to the Risk Management Foundation of the Harvard Medical Institutions and serves as the Boston Program Director of the ‘Safe Surgery Saves Lives’ initiative with the World Health Organization's Patient Safety Program.

For the last eight years, Dr Berry has been a faculty member the Institute for Healthcare Improvement in collaborative projects focused on improving the safety of surgical patients. Prior to these roles, Dr Berry spent 17 years in practice as a cardiac surgeon.

As part of the ‘Reducing Perioperative Harm’ focus of the Health Quality & Safety Commission’s Open for better care campaign, this webinar will feature Dr Berry discussing the importance of teamwork and communication within the perioperative environment. Mr Ian Civil, the clinical lead of the Commission’s Perioperative Harm Advisory Group will host this webinar and provide a New Zealand perspective.

This is a great opportunity to hear one of the global leaders and advocates for safer surgery discuss the merits and practical tips of how improved teamwork, communication and safety in surgery can reduce perioperative harm and improve the culture of safety in operating theatres.
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Specifically, Dr Berry will discuss:

• how improved teamwork and communication can reduce harm to patients, improve team satisfaction and improve productivity
• how to shift away from a compliance focus in the use of tools such as the team briefing, surgical safety checklist and team debriefing, and instead encourage team engagement
• how to overcome resistance to change.

Dr Berry will provide an international perspective, leveraged significantly from his successful work in North and South Carolina to reduce perioperative harm through the use of teamwork and communication interventions.

How to take part
Webinars are easy! All you need is access to a computer connected to the internet or a telephone.

Send an email to Michelle.L.Docherty@nz.pwc.com asking to take part and you will be sent a calendar invite.

Michelle will send out further information closer to the webinar day about how to use the webinar system ‘WebEx’ to ensure everything runs smoothly. On the day, click on the link in the invite, complete the guest log-in and you’re in!

You’ll be able to hear and see the presentation and take part in the discussion if you have a microphone on your computer. If you don’t have a microphone, you can send any questions for Dr Berry to Michelle by 9 July 2014.

Please email Michelle if you need any further assistance.