Why do they need a checklist?

Don't they have this information written down?

Checklists help people with the steps they need to take.

For example, when you get a new Warrant of Fitness for your car, the mechanic will use a checklist to make sure they have checked all parts of your car.

It's important that the same checks are taken with your operation.

The Surgical Safety Checklist is an important part of this.



For more information about how the Health Quality and Safety Commission is promoting the Surgical Safety Checklist to keep you safe go to http://www.hqsc.govt.nz and type 'surgical safety checklist' in the search box.





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We are **keeping you safe**during your surgery by
asking you some questions.



a number of times before you have We will ask you these questions

of your child. can answer these questions on behalf also need to ask these questions. You If your child is having surgery, we will

also ask you some questions. own safety check as well and may Your anaesthetist will do their

your operation.

you have.

your name

your date of birth

any allergies and reactions

the operation you are having

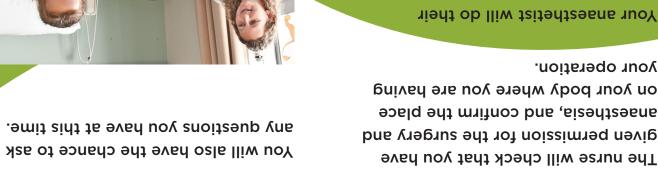
a nurse will ask you to confirm:

On the day of your surgery,

Health Organization. was developed by the World Surgical Safety Checklist which These questions are part of the

during surgery. have been taken to keep you safe make sure that all important steps The aim of this checklist is to

surgeon and others. nurses, the anaesthetist, the involved in your surgery - the The checklist is used by everyone



your surgery.

