

# Adverse Anesthesia Events

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# Target Audience

- Anesthetists/ Surgeons
- Duty Doctors/ PGs
- OT Technicians
- Nurses POR (Wards to an extend)

Frequency: Every 3 months

# What is an Adverse Anesthesia Event?

- An event that may result in the development of complications and is caused by human error, failure of the apparatus, the selected anesthetic techniques and individual reaction of the patient.

# List of events

## Major

- Cardiac Arrest
- Peri-operative MI
- Aspiration
- Anaphylaxis
- Drug Over Dose/ Toxicity
- Awareness
- Convulsion
- Nerve Palsies
- Organ Injury
- Hyperthermia

## Minor

- Airway obstruction
- Post-op Nausea
- Sore throat
- Persistent Sedation
- Hemodynamic instability
- Pneumonia
- Delirium
- Shivering
- Headache
- Back pain

# What makes anesthesia safe?

- Evidence based guidelines/ protocols
- Anesthetist Skill and Knowledge
- Safer drug usage; Equipments
- Monitoring equipments
- Advance airway management

# **Risk Factors to note:**

- Patient's Condition: Age, Co-morbidities (if any)
- Procedure: Planned/ Emergency
- Facility: Resources, Equipments, Monitoring
- Skill and Expertise

# What is mandatory?

- PAC; Plan, Associated risks, complications, Counseling; Documentation
- Safe Administration of anesthesia; Check resources, Medications
- Monitoring during the process
- Post Anesthesia Care: Monitor for Adverse reactions or events



# Incase of Adverse anesthesia event

- Do not panic
- Manage the situation (Active response / resuscitation)
- Check whether revertible or not
- Comfort and truthful counseling to the patient relatives
- Document and report to the respective authorities

# RCA & CAPA

- Analyze the drawbacks/ short comings in the process
- Correct and Implement the same

Thank you