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Washing your hands between patients and attention to infection control  
Admission to hospital; Diagnostic errors in general; Errors in drug prescribing and administration; Reducing errors in blood transfusion; Intravenous drug administration; Errors in the operating theatre; The use of diathermy; Harm related to patient positioning; Leg supports that give way; Generic safety checks prior to any surgical procedure; Failure to give DVT prophylaxis; Failure to give antibiotic prophylaxis; Errors in the postoperative period; Shared care; Medical devices; References

3 Safety culture in high reliability organizations  
High reliability organizations: background; High reliability organizations: common features; The consequences of failure; 'Convergent evolution' and its implication for healthcare; Learning from accidents: overview of basic high reliability organizational culture; Elements of the safety culture; Counter-intuitive aspects of high reliability organization safety culture; References;  
4 Case studies; Case study 1: wrong patient; Case study 2: wrong blood; Case study 3: wrong side nephrectomy; Case study 4: another wrong side nephrectomy  
Case study 5: yet another wrong side nephrectomy case  
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Case study 14: penicillin allergy death

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## Sommario/riassunto

Following recent high profile cases of surgical error in the UK and USA, patient safety has become a key issue in healthcare, now placed at heart of junior doctor's training. Errors made by doctors are very similar to those made in other high risk organisations, such as aviation, nuclear and petrochemical industries. Practical Patient Safety aims to demonstrate how core principles of safety from these industries can be applied in surgical and medical practice, in particular through training for health care professionals and healthcare managers. Whilst theoretical aspects of risk management form

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