

Surgical Safety Checklist: Good for Patient Safety and Patient Privacy

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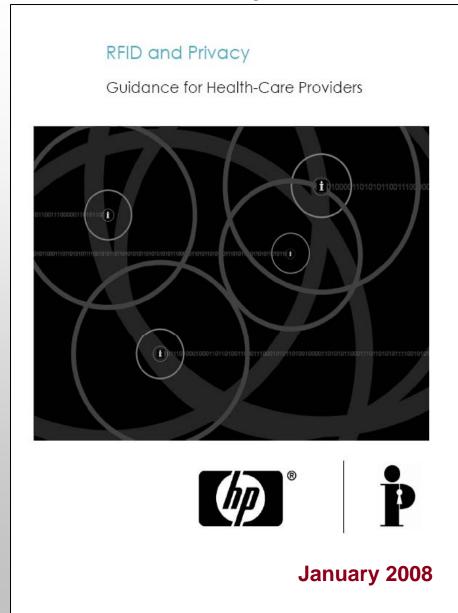
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Praise for Dr. Bryce Taylor and Toronto's University Health Network in adopting the WHO "Surgical Safety Checklist."





RFID and Privacy in Health Care







Normal







Not Normal





USAToday.com, Scissors left in woman after surgery, April 20, 2004.



Information & Privacy Commissioner Three Statutes

The role of the Information & Privacy Commissioner of Ontario is set out in three statutes:

- Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA);
- Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA);
- Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA).





Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA)

- Applies to organizations and individuals involved in the delivery of health care services (both public and private sector);
- The only health sector privacy legislation in Canada based on consent: implied consent within healthcare providers' "circle of care," otherwise, express consent;
- The only health sector privacy legislation that was declared to be substantially similar to Canada's federal private sector law, the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (PIPEDA).





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