

**PATIENT CONSENT TO INCLUSION OF PERSONAL- AND HEALTH INFORMATION
INTO THE SAFE SURGERY SA DATABASE**

I, the person who completes the information on the Safe Surgery website, hereby declare that I have been informed of the Safe Surgery database, and its objectives and uses, when I reviewed the Safe Surgery [Terms and Conditions](#), and I hereby consent, freely and voluntarily, to participate.

I understand and agree to the following:

1. I agree to the inclusion of personal- and health data into a database.
2. I understand that I will supply certain information, which will assist my healthcare team to assess my health status, my health information and/or comments after the surgery.
3. I understand that apart from the use of my information in relation to my own healthcare, my data will be included in a database that will be used for health -research, -policy, -systems and -financing purposes.
4. I understand that patient names and any other personal identifiers will be included in the database, but when data is released from the database, it will be done in a manner that is aggregated and de-identified. The data will be included in a larger database with other patients' data and also data from the practitioners who treated the patient and/or the facilities where the patient was treated and/or operated on. Such information will not link back to any patient- specific data and/or to a specific patient.
5. All information will be handled in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act, the National Health Act, the Promotion of Access to Information Act and the ethical rules that bind healthcare professionals
6. The database is secure, and reasonable mechanisms are in place to ensure that there is no unauthorised access to any information stored.
7. I can at any stage withdraw from participating in the database, which [withdrawal notice](#) I will provide in writing to admin@safesurgery.co.za.
8. I understand that if I have any questions relating to this consent or the database, I can discuss it with my doctor or his/her designated staff.

I therefore agree to the collection, storage and use of the patient's information on the database:

For the better management of the patient's health care

For research purposes, where researchers can use registry information for research projects in which the patient will never be identified if such research is published

For analytical purposes, e.g. create reports for doctors to evaluate themselves, in which patients will not be identified at all