





## Introduction

Surgical Site Infections (SSIs) are the most common healthcare associated infection (HAI) amongst surgical patients and are estimated to occur in 2-5% of all surgeries in Canada. They result in a high burden of morbidity and mortality, and an increased cost to the healthcare system, making prevention of SSIs an essential component of any surgical program. (CPSI -2016). An effective SSI program with prompt action and feedback has been shown to decrease SSIs by 10-35%. (PICNet 2007) and monitoring for SSIs allows for early recognition of transmission and trends.

## Surgical site infection (SSI) surveillance

No.	Description	Reference	Risk	Change
SSI1.0	SURGICAL SITE INFECTION (SSI) SURVEILLANCE			
SSI1.1	Infection prevention and Control (IPAC) activities are supported through an established surgical site infection (SSI) surveillance process.			
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SSI1.1.1	There is a regulated health professional responsible for overseeing the SSI surveillance process.			
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1.4.8	M The SSI investigation tool includes the anesthesia type.	5, 6, 7, 8, 11	M	
SSI1.4.9	B The SSI investigation tool includes SSI preventative measures.			



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## References

Public Health Scotland [Internet]. Glasgow (GB): Public Health Scotland; 2022. Surgical site infection; 2022 [cited 2022 Oct 30].