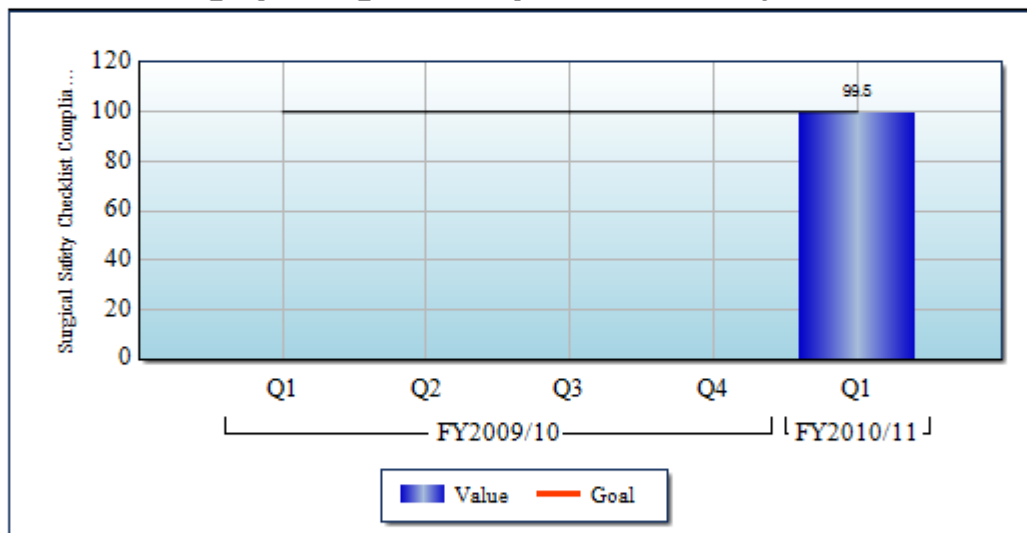


Surgical Safety Checklist (SSCL)

The surgical safety checklist (SSCL) is considered "performed" when the designated checklist coordinator confirms that surgical team members have implemented and/or addressed all of the necessary tasks and items in each of the three phases: Briefing; Time Out; and Debriefing. This is a process measure, measuring the degree to which all three phases of the SSCL was performed correctly and appropriately for each surgical patient.

Surgery - Surgical Safety Checklist Compliance Rate



Q1 - FY 2010/11

% compliance with surgical safety checklist	99.5%
Case Count	4164

Interpretation:

The surgical safety checklist - which covers the most common tasks and items that operating room teams carry out - has been shown to reduce rates of deaths and complications among patients. This initiative requires commitment and teamwork within the operating room environment. Our quarterly compliance rate of 99.5% and a monthly incremental improvement to 100% in June 2010 demonstrates successful implementation of this important patient safety initiative.