Road Map for Implementing AORN Guidelines

Review guideline

Revised guideline

New guideline

Perform gap analysis

Review current policy and procedure

Does it need revising?

No

Yes

Develop an implementation plan to include:
- Determine whether new equipment or are supplies required
- Assign champion(s)
- Set the completion date for creating the policy and procedure
- Modify/revise/create forms
- Establish the communication plan
- Identify competencies for practitioners
- Establish an education and competency verification schedule
- Select a method to monitor performance post-implementation

Implement policy and procedure

Collect and organize data for quality assessment and adherence to policy and procedure

Review results of quality and compliance monitoring to identify next steps