A guide to:

World Anaesthesia Day 2021

16 October

Teamwork: Stronger teams for better patient care

#WAD2021

#TeamAnaesthesia
The 2021 #TeamAnaesthesia campaign

For World Anaesthesia Day 2021 we want to celebrate the skills and attributes of those who we work alongside and rely on.

We call on the anaesthesia community to tell the world about the teams and colleagues they work with and attributes that they bring to enable effective teamwork.

Why teamwork?

Anaesthesiologists are at the forefront of clinical teams. Multidisciplinary teams improve patient experience, safety, productivity, and enhance the working lives of all involved.

Teamwork requires skills that include leadership, communication, mutual monitoring, and giving and receiving feedback.
The 2021 #TeamAnaesthesia campaign

Building our teamwork skills
It is not enough to demand that we work as a team. We need to practice and perfect our teamwork.

• **Good teamwork** leads to improved patient outcomes, increased staff satisfaction and a reduced incidence of burnout.

• **Bad teamwork** lead to poorer patient outcomes, lack of coordination, staff burnout and higher costs.

Teamwork resources

**Training courses** - [SAFE Operating Room](#) and [Vital Anaesthesia Simulation Training (VAST)](#)

**Checklists** – [WHO Surgical Safety Checklist](#)
Call to Action

Be vocal on 16th October 2021

- Have fun celebrating your teams and colleagues with the #WAD2021 photobooth
- Share what you love about your team via social media #TeamAnaesthesia #WAD2021
- Fill out the WAD2021 poster and share pictures of what teamwork means to you
- Identify steps you can take to strengthen the effectiveness of your team
- Promote your team as you go about your working day by:
  - Adapting your zoom background to feature your team and the #TeamAnaesthesia campaign
  - Include a ppt slide about your amazing team at the end of a presentation you are giving
I love my team because

We save lives in

#WAD2021   @WFSAorg   #IamTeamAnaesthesia
Engage on Social Media

Follow us on our social media channels:

- Twitter: @wfsaorg
- Facebook: /WFASORG
- LinkedIn: /WFSA
- Instagram: @wfsaorg

Share the news about #WAD2021 and encourage your colleagues to celebrate #TeamAnaesthesia
Pre-event: Social Media Messages

Join me & @WFSAorg on 16 Oct for World Anaesthesia Day 2021’s celebration of teamwork and #TeamAnaesthesia. Have fun with your team through the #WAD2021 photobooth https://boothco.uk/wfsahq/#anaesthesia #anesthesia

For World Anaesthesia Day on Oct 16 join the global #TeamAnaesthesia @wfsaorg and share what team work means to you and your colleagues. Find out more at www.wfsahq.org #WAD2021

Calling all #anaesthesia professionals! On Oct 16 lets take to social media to really show how #TeamAnaesthesia improves patient care. Find out more about #WAD2021 at www.wfsahq.org
Tweet and post ideas on the day

Conduct Twitter/Facebook polls with your followers to identify the most valued team skills

**Example posts:**

- **Teamwork to me is understanding and recognising each other’s expertise.** #TeamAnaesthesia #WAD2021

- **Clear communication and trust is key for our team** #TeamAnaesthesia #WAD2021

- **I love my team because I learn so much from them** #TeamAnaesthesia #WAD2021

- **My team rocks, even in times of stress and pressure we support and encourage each other to provide the best patient care.** #TeamAnaesthesia #WAD2021

Tag @wfsaorg and we’ll retweet/ share post
About World Anaesthesia Day
A day to celebrate the global anaesthesia family.

Background
WAD marks one of the most significant events in the history of medicine - the first successful public demonstration of ether anaesthesia on 16 Oct 1846.

Objectives
• Raises the profile and understanding of how anaesthesia strengthens global health
• Connects the global anaesthesia family