

SURGICAL SITE INFECTION (SSI)

PREVENTION AND SURVEILLANCE

**NATIONAL SURGICAL SITE INFECTION (SSI) COMMITTEE:
2024 DATA HIGHLIGHTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**



PREOPERATIVE BATHING OR WIPING

12% of reported SSI cases did not perform preoperative bathing or wiping. ⚠️



✔️ Use soap and water - **on the day of surgery or the night before.**

SKIN PREPARATION SOLUTION

54% of reported SSI cases used **alcohol-based** antiseptic solution. However, 33% still used **aqueous-based** solution. ⚠️



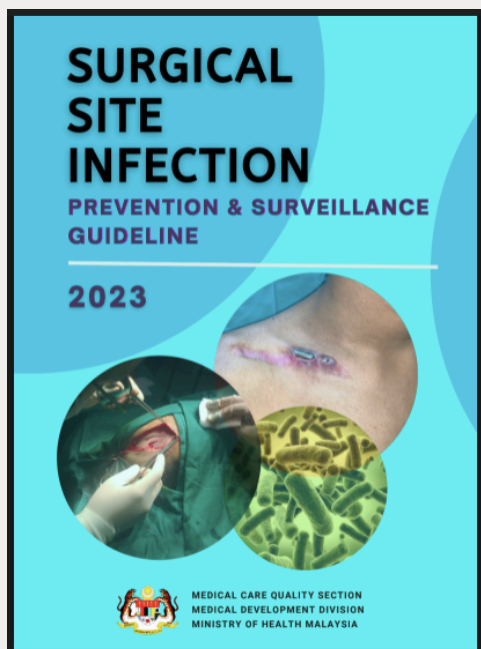
✔️ Use **alcohol-based** antiseptic solution with appropriate contact and drying time.

HAIR REMOVAL TECHNIQUE

0.3% of reported SSI cases practised **clipping** method for hair removal. However, 29% still practised **shaving**. ⚠️



✔️ If hair removal is necessary, **clipping** method is recommended.



Reference:
Garis Panduan Surgical Site Infection Prevention & Surveillance 2023

