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## Supplementary Table S1: Characteristics of the ACS models of included sites

		Members of ACS team (in addition to	Dedicated ACS	Dedicated
Site	Staff model on ACS	surgeon)	OR	ACS beds
London	Single surgeon x 7 days	Nurse Practitioner	7 hours/day	No
Health	Elective practice	1-2 Senior Residents	Monday - Friday	
Sciences	suspended	1 Intermediate resident		
Centre		1-2 junior residents		
University of	Single surgeon x 7 days	Hospitalist	8 hours/day	Yes
Alberta	Elective practice	1-Fellow	Monday - Friday	
	suspended	1-Senior Resident		
		1 – 2 junior residents		
QE II Health	Single surgeon Mon-	2-3 senior residents	12hrs 5d/week	Yes
Sciences	Friday during daytime	(R3-R4)	shared resource	
Centre	Rotating night time	2 junior residents 1-2 clerks	on evenings and	
	coverage Single		weekends	
	surgeon Saturday- Sunday	No nurse practitioner		
Hamilton	Single surgeon x 7 days	1-2 junior residents	No dedicated ACS	No
Health	Elective practice	1 senior resident	OR; access to	NO
Sciences	suspended	1 semor resident	daytime Emerg OR	
00.0000			shared by all	
			surgical services	
			starting at noon	
St. Joseph's	Single surgeon x 7	1-2 junior residents	No dedicated ACS	No
Health Care	days/nights	1 senior resident	OR; access to	
	Elective practice		daytime Emerg OR	
	suspended		shared by all	
			surgical services	
			starting at 11:00	
Vancouver	3 teams (ACS 1, 2, 3)	Each team has:	Full days (9 hours)	No
General	with rotating 24 hr call	1 Fellow or Senior	Monday to Friday)	
Hospital	Surgeons take 24 hr	Resident	Half days (3 hours)	
	calls with their teams	1-2 Junior residents	Saturday and	
	Surgeons block most		Sunday	
	activities on their ACS		Plus emergency	
	weeks, and all activities		time at night	
	on their 2-3 intake days			

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William Osler Health System	EGH: 1 ACS surgeon running service 5 days a week and 50% call Weekend coverage by on call surgeon. BCH: Similar with 2 ACS surgeons	No additional staff	1-2 Half days per week  Preferential access to any ORs finished early	No
	surgeons			

EGH = Etobicoke General Hospital; BCH = Brampton Civic Hospital

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Supplementary Table S2: Description of the Clavien-Dindo classification of complications 11

Clavien-Dindo	Description	
Grade 1	Any deviation from the normal postoperative course without the need for pharmacological treatment or surgical, endoscopic and radiological interventions. This includes infections opened at the bedside.	
Grade 2	Requiring pharmacological treatment with drugs other than such allowed for grade I complications.  Blood transfusions and total parenteral nutrition are also included.	
Grade 3	Requiring surgical, endoscopic or radiological intervention	
Grade 4	Life-threatening complication (including CNS complications); requiring IC/ICU-management	
Grade 5	Death	