

# Perioperative Nurses' Perceptions of Challenges in Surgical Positioning

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## Background

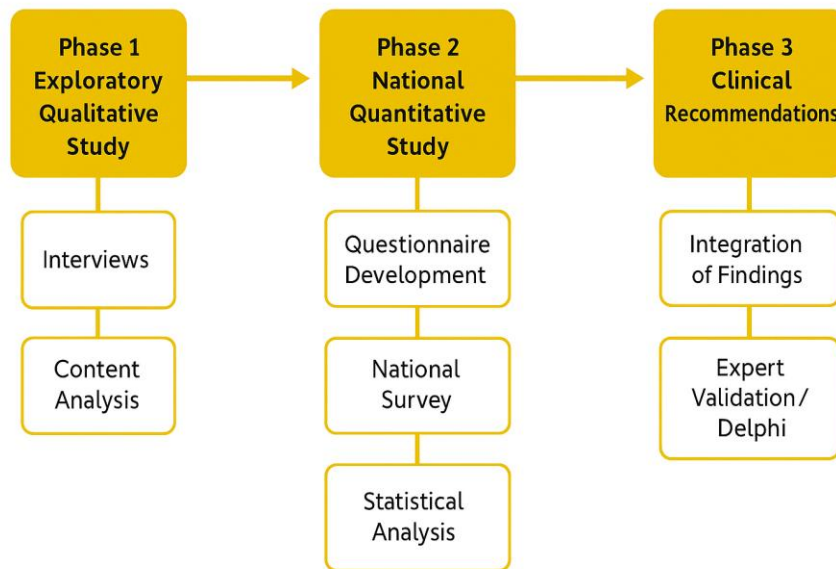
Surgical positioning is an essential component of perioperative care, directly influencing the safety, comfort, and clinical outcomes of individuals undergoing surgery (Wewling & Ann-Chatrin Linqvist Leonardsen, 2024).

This practice requires effective collaboration within the multidisciplinary team, in which perioperative nurses play a critical role in ensuring its safe and effective implementation (AORN, 2024; Wewling & Ann-Chatrin Linqvist Leonardsen, 2024).

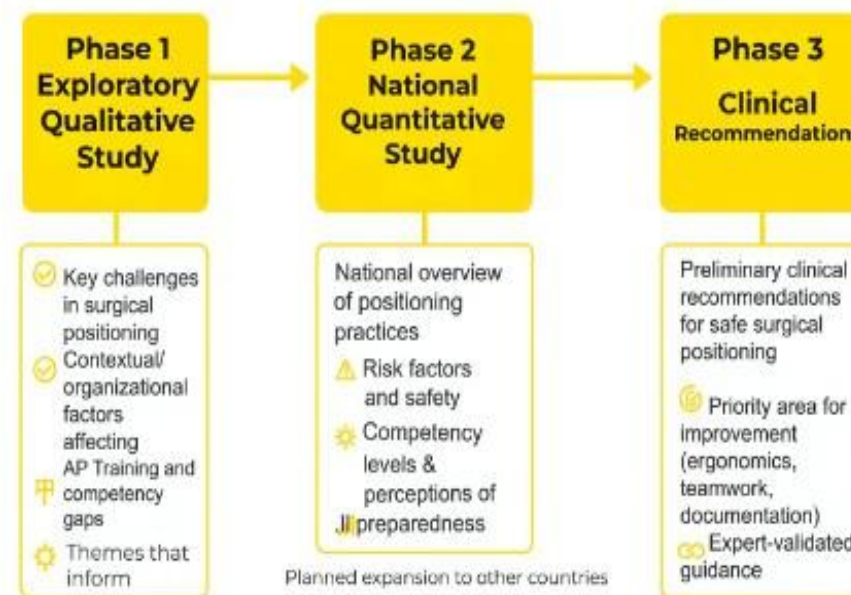
## Aim

To understand and analyze surgical positioning practices within the context of perioperative nursing, in order to identify areas for improvement and support the development of strategies that promote the safety of individuals undergoing perioperative care and the quality of the care provided.

## Methods - Planned Study Design



## Expected Outcomes



## Conclusions

- This study is expected to clarify key challenges and contextual factors affecting surgical positioning.
- Findings will help identify competency gaps, risk factors, and training needs at a national level.
- Evidence from qualitative and quantitative phases will support the development of clinical recommendations for safer and more consistent positioning practices.
- The multi-phase design contributes to improving quality of care, enhancing perioperative safety, and guiding future international collaboration.

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