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# NON-TECHNICAL SKILLS FOR SURGEONS (NOTSS) COURSE

## FACULTY



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## Highlights

- Adverse Events in Surgery & Human Errors
- Performance Limiting Factors
- Situational Awareness
- Decision Making
- Communication
- Teamwork
- Leadership

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**APRIL**

**11<sup>th</sup>**

**2026**

0800 to 1630 hrs



## NOTSS MASTERCLASS

Venue : The Cube, Universiti Malaya

Date : 11 APRIL 2026

**Learning Outcomes** By the end of this masterclass, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss the underlying principles of non-technical skills which contribute to safe surgical care.
2. Differentiate between four major categories of non-technical skills: Situation Awareness, Decision Making, Team Communication, and Leadership.
3. Identify and assess surgical non-technical skills in a series of operative video simulations using the NOTSS taxonomy.

### Programme

08.00	<b>Registration and refreshments</b>	
08.30	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aims of the NOTSS Masterclass</li><li>• Introduction to Non-Technical Skills</li><li>• Video scenario</li><li>• Introduction to the NOTSS system</li></ul>	.
09.30	<b>Situation Awareness</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concepts and discussion</li><li>• Video exercise</li><li>• Strategies to improve Situation Awareness</li></ul>	.
10.30	<b>Coffee</b>	
11.00	<b>Decision Making</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concepts and discussion</li><li>• Video exercise</li><li>• Strategies to improve decision-making</li></ul>	.
12.00	<b>Managing your cognitive load</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concepts and discussion</li></ul>	.
12.30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13.15	<b>Communication &amp; Teamwork</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concepts and discussion</li><li>• Video exercise</li><li>• Strategies to improve communication &amp; teamwork</li></ul>	.
14.00	<b>Leadership</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concepts and discussion</li><li>• Video exercise</li><li>• Leadership tools</li></ul>	.
14.45	<b>Tea</b>	
15.00	<b>Implementing NOTSS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Full Scenario assessment</li><li>• NOTSS Toolkit</li><li>• NOTSS applications and closing discussion</li></ul>	.
4.00	<b>Finish</b>	