The need for surgery has not stopped during the COVID-19 pandemic. Surgical teams around the world have continued to provide lifesaving surgery, even when lacking basic equipment to keep themselves safe. At Lifebox, our priority is supporting our partners to provide safe surgical, anesthetic and COVID-19 care.

PULSE OXIMETRY
The Lifebox pulse oximeter is at the heart of our response. Pulse oximeters are a crucial tool in the management of COVID-19 patients. In 2020, Lifebox distributed more than 6,500 pulse oximeters to frontline providers across 43 countries worldwide.

REDUCING RISK OF INFECTION
We’re working to reduce the risk of infection to surgical teams - developing the COVID-19 Surgical Patient Checklist and training over 50 surgical team members in its use. We’ve distributed 25,000 items of personal protective equipment across three countries and supported its local purchase in two more, and developed guidelines on its safe reuse.
COVID-19 INNOVATIONS

We’re supporting innovations that tackle COVID-19 with partners like N95Decon and the Ethiopia COVID-19 Response Team to improve patient safety during the pandemic.

COVID WEBINARS

7,000 healthcare providers tuned in to our webinar series providing perspectives and guidance from frontline practice from clinical leaders in surgery, obstetrics, and anesthesia.

“Lifebox responded rapidly to COVID-19. In the absence of good testing, being able to have a pulse oximeter on the finger of a person with a cough and detect those with low oxygen levels has proven to be incredibly important across the world, especially in places like Sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America where Lifebox operates. With 6,500 pulse oximeters distributed thus far, work continues apace - with Lifebox doing incredible things at scale.”

Lifebox Chair, Dr. Atul Gawande

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