

WHAT IS BLOCKING THE BLOCK?

Oops...my block failed!!

CAUSES OF FASCIAL PLANE BLOCK FAILURE

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PATIENT RELATED

ANATOMICAL FACTORS
(scoliosis.

burn contracture)



Obesity



Previous surgery



Obstruction to diffusion





SURGICAL

Extension of surgical incision



Inadequate wait time between block and incision



Improper probe selection

Faulty needles and injection equipments



Manufacturing defects in catheters
Displacement of catheter



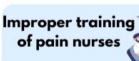
DRUG

Inadequate drug volume or concentration



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Inexperienced anaesthesiologist



TAKE HOME MESSAGE

Tips to prevent failure



Ensure needle tip visualisation before injecting the drug

Selection of appropriate US probe and echogenic needle

Monitoring by a dedicated acute pain services team