Ideal Ward Round - Environment;

Appearance of Room	• Just making the room look and feel pleasant can help. • Are there dirty mugs lying around? • Does the room feel too much like a clinical space?
Size of the Room	• Is the room appropriate for the number of people attending?
Declutter	• What doesn't need to be in the room? Does having lots of things in the room make it feel like the room should be used for something else i.e. 'you're not supposed to be here'? • Alternatively does the room feel too stark?
Table	• If there is a table and it's stuck in the room how will it be used? • Try not to set it up as a job interview, as much as possible the room needs to remain informal.

Seating Arrangements	• Are all the staff sitting together? Where is the consultant positioned? Does the layout of the room or seating arrangement, exaggerate a power imbalance in relationships? What could you do to change this? • Is the patient seated in a way that could be intimidating or suggest a power imbalance (e.g. on a chair separated from the other attendees)?
Privacy	• Does the room feel private or could people walk in by accident? Could you put up a sign on the door? • If there are windows in the room, what would be the best position for the patient to avoid feeling as if they're in a 'goldfish bowl'?
Temperature	• This might mean checking the room an hour before to get the room to a comfortable temperature.
Refreshments	• In all the research we did this constantly came up; the benefit that a cup of tea would make to how you a patient or carer feels in ward rounds.