

PEDIATRIC SURGERY

Open Appendectomy

Preference Card

1. Prep entire abdomen.
2. Mark out border of rectus and put dot at McBurney's point. Draw line about 3/4-1 inch--horizontal from rectus border.
3. Incision down to Scarpa's, retract with S-retractors.
4. Bovie into external oblique then cut in line of fibers and retract with S's.
5. Score internal oblique--put an S-retractors and pull apart.
6. Spread out transversalis fibers with snap and replace S-retractors.
7. Open peritoneum with knife and 1.5 cm on each side with scissor, put 3-0 silk stays on each side in middle to hold with.
8. Divide mesoappendix with 4-0 vicryls.
9. Crush near base then tie with 2-0 plain x 2 then amputate appendix and cauterize stump.
10. Irrigate with saline.
11. Pick up on stays in peritoneum and close with running 3-0 PDS.
12. Close internal oblique with 2-0 PDS figure of 8.
13. Close external oblique with running 2-0 PDS.
14. Tack Scarpa's closed with 4-0 vicryl.
15. Close skin with Dermabond.
16. If tenuous base, staple cecum with a TA stapler.