

Laparoscopic Appendectomy

Preference Card

1. Cefotetan pre-op.
2. Foley if distended bladder and OG.
3. Prep entire abdomen with Duraprep.
4. 5mm Interdyne trocar infraumbilical.
5. 12mm trocar L pelvis below anterior superior iliac spine level.
6. 5mm trocar at same level just to the right of the midline.
7. Grasp appendix with 5mm Babcock via R side trocar.
8. Dissect out appendix.
9. If possible, staple base of appendix and mesoappendix together with endo-GIA.
10. If too wide or not mobile, dissect between appendix and mesoappendix with Maryland then staple individually with endo-GIA.
11. Remove appendix via 12 mm trocar unless very large--then remove in an endo-bag.
12. Irrigate if necessary.
13. No need for fascial closure unless L pelvic site was dilated to extract a large appendix.
14. Close skin with dermabond.