LAPAROSCOPIC SURGICAL CODING THROUGH THE "EYES" OF THE SURGEON



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Today's presentation you will see video of actual laparoscopic surgery for hernia defects, diseased gallbladder, and GERD



SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS

- 1) <u>Harmonic Scalpel</u> Cutting instrument used during surgical procedure to simultaneously cut and coagulate tissue
- 2) <u>Endoscopic Peanut/Cherry Dissector</u> Used during surgical procedures for dissection, retraction, and gentle manipulation
- 3) <u>Liver/Snake Retractor</u> Used for consistent stable retraction

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS

- 4) <u>Dissection Balloon</u> Uses a distention balloon (either oval or round) to separate tissue planes, forming a discrete cavity for inguinal hernia repair
- 5) <u>Ultrapro Mesh</u> A lightweight and partially absorbable mesh used for repairing hernias and other abdominal fascial defects
- 6) AbsorbaTack THIS TACK IS USED FOR PLACEMENT OF THE MESH

SURGERIES

- 1) LAPAROSCOPIC INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR
- 2) LAPAROSCOPIC VENTRAL HERNIA REPAIR
- 3) LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLECYSTECTOMY
- 4) LAPAROSCOPIC NISSEN FUNDOPLICATION



LAPAROSCOPIC INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR

- CPT® CODE: 49650- LAPAROSCOPIC SURGICAL REPAIR INITIAL INGUINAL HERNIA
- MODIFIER: 50- BILATERAL PROCEDURE
- **DIAGNOSIS CODES**: <u>550.90</u>- INGUINAL HERNIA, UNILATERAL OR UNSPECIFIED WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION OR GANGRENE
- <u>550.92</u>- INGUINAL HERNIA, BILATERAL WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION OR GANGRENE

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-INGUNIAL HERNIA REPAIR

- DISSECTION BALLOON IS INSERTED TO SEPARATE TISSUE FROM PLANE
- COPPER'S LIGAMENT- WHITE AREA
- BALLOON IS REMOVED
- TOCAR-WORKING PORTS- 5MM & GRASPERS
- CORD LIPOMA
- RIGHT PERITONEUM

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-CONT.

- PUBIC ARCH
- SPERMATIC CORD
- HERNIA REPAIR
- MESH PLACEMENT AND TACKING

- THIS IS THE ACTUAL HERNIA REPAIR VIDEO THAT WILL BE UPLOADED
- APPROXIMATE TIME OF VIDEO 10 MINUTES

LAPAROSCOPIC VENTRAL HERNIA REPAIR

- CPT® CODE: 49653- LAPAROSCOPY SURGICAL, REPAIR, VENTRAL, UMBILICAL, SPIGELIAN OR EPIGASTRIC HERNIA (INCLUDES MESH INSERTION WHEN PERFORMED)-INCARCERATED OR STRANGULATED
- **DIAGNOSIS CODE**: <u>552.20</u>- *VENTRAL HERNIA, WITH OBSTRUCTION*

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-VENTRAL HERNIA REPAIR

- HOLE IN ABDOMINAL WALL
- INCARCERATED VENTRAL HERNIA-NON REDUCIBLE
- NEEDS TO MAKE SURE HAS SECURE AREA TO PLACE TACKS
- MESH IS INSERTED
- TACKING OF MESH
- MAKING SURE MESH IS SECURE

- ACTUAL VENTRAL HERNIA REPAIR THAT WILL BE UPLOADED
- APPROXIMATE TIME OF VIDEO 15 MINUTES

AND TRU-CUT LIVER BIOPSY

- CPT® CODE: 47562- LAPAROSCOPY, SURGICAL CHOLECYSTECTOMY
- CPT® CODE: <u>+47001</u>- BIOPSY OF LIVER WHEN DONE FOR INDICATED PURPOSE AT TIME OF OTHER MAJOR PROCEDURE (LIST SEPARATELY IN ADDITION TO CODE FOR PRIMARY PROCEDURE)
- DIAGNOSIS CODE FOR LIVER BIOPSY: <u>571.5</u>-CIRRHOISIS OF LIVER WITHOUT MENTION OF ALCHOL

POSSIBLE DIAGNOSIS CODES

- <u>574.20</u>- CHOLELITHIASIS-CALCULUS OF GALLBLADDER WITHOUT MENTION OF CHOLEYSTITIS; WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION
- <u>574.10</u>- CALCULUS OF GALLBLADDER WITH OTHER CHOLECYSTITIS; WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION
- <u>574.00</u>- CALCULUS OF GALLBLADDER WITH ACUTE CHOLECYSTITIS; WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION

POSSIBLE DIAGNOSIS CODES-CONT.

- <u>574.30</u>- CALCULUS OF BILE DUCT WITH ACUTE CHOLECYSTITIS; WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION
- <u>574.60</u>- CALCULUS OF GALLBLADDER AND BILE DUCT WITH ACUTE CHOLECYSTITIS; WITHOUT MENTION OF OBSTRUCTION
- 575.0- ACUTE CHOLECYSTITIS
- ADDITIONAL CODES CAN BE FOUND IN THE RANGE OF 574. THROUGH 576

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLEYSTECTOMY

- HARMONIC SCALPEL DISSECTION
- PLACEMENT OF CLIPS ON CYSTIC DUCT
- GALLBLADDER BEING GRASP
- LIVER BIOPSY
- GALLBLADDER BEING PLACED IN BAG TO BE REMOVED THROUGH THE XIPHOID PORT
- EXAMINATION AND IRRIGATION OF SURGICAL SITE

- ACTUAL LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLECYSTECTOMY AND LIVER BIOPSY VIDEO THAT WILL BE UPLOADED
- APPROXIMATE TIME OF VIDEO 20 MINUTES

<u>LAPAROSCOPIC NISSEN</u> <u>FUNDOPLICATION</u>

- CPT CODE: <u>43280</u>- LAPAROSCOPY, SURGICAL, ESOPHAGOGASTRIC FUNDOPLASTY (eg, NISSEN, TOUPET PROCEDURE)
- **DIAGNOSIS CODE**: <u>530.81</u>-GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-LAPAROSCOPIC NISSEN FUNDOPLICATION

- LIVER RETRACTOR (SNAKE)
- STOMACH, OMENTUM
- GASTROESOPHAGEAL JUNCTION
- GASTROHEPATIC LIGAMENT TRANSECTED EXPOSING RIGHT CRUS OF DIAPHRAGM
- MOBILIZING THE GREATER CURVATURE OF STOMACH WITH HARMONIC SCALPEL

SURGICAL HIGHLIGHTS-CONT.

- ENDOSCOPIC PEANUT USED TO DISSECT WINDOW TO BRING STOMACH THROUGH
- GASTROSPLENIC LIGAMENT TRANSECTED
- FUNDUS GRASPED, WITHDRAWN THROUGH THE RETROESOPHAGEAL TISSUE PLANE
- STANDARD FUNDOPLICATION WRAP
- SUTURING OF WRAP TO ESOPHAGEAL WALL

- ACTUAL VIDEO OF LAPAROSCOPIC NISSEN FUNDOPLICATION THAT WILL BE UPLOADED
- APPROXIMATE TIME OF VIDEO 30 MINUTES

• QUESTIONS????????



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