

Colon and Rectal Closing Protocol

1) *Wound protector for all colon cases

**Endoclose bag is considered a wound protector for an intracorporeal anastomosis*

2) All scrubbed personnel change gloves prior to fascial closing

3) Gowns changed if soiled before fascial closing

4) **New closing tray to close fascia and skin

***Endoclose device is considered a closing tray*

5) Irrigate abdomen prior to facial closure

6) Irrigate subcutaneous tissues prior to skin closure

SSI Bundle Irrigation

INTRA-ABDOMINAL IRRIGATION

APPROACH	WOUND CLASS	VOLUME
LAP	1, 2 & 3	1 LITER NSS or H2O
LAP	4	2 LITERS NSS or H2O

APPROACH	WOUND CLASS	VOLUME
OPEN	1 & 2	1 LITER NSS or H2O
OPEN	3 & 4	4 LITERS NSS or H2O

WOUND IRRIGATION

ALL OPEN CASES	ALL LAP CASES
= or > 1 Liter of NSS	= or > 300cc of NSS