## **Appendix 3. Modified Objective Structured Assessment of Technical Skills (OSATS)**

(Each item rated on a scale of 1-5)

#### 1) Respect for Tissue

- 1 Frequently used unnecessary force on tissue or caused damage by inappropriate use of instruments
- 3 Careful handling of tissue but occasionally caused inadvertent damage
- 5 Consistently handled tissue appropriately with minimal damage

# 2) Time and Motion

- 1 Many unnecessary moves
- 3 Efficient time/motion but some unnecessary moves
- 5 Economy of movement and maximum efficiency

### 3) Instrument Handling

- 1 Repeatedly makes tentative or awkward moves with instruments
- 3 Competent use of instruments although occasionally appeared stiff or awkward
- 5 Fluid moves with instruments and no awkwardness

### 4) Flow of Operation and Forward Planning

- 1 Frequently stopped operating or needed to discuss next move
- 3 Demonstrated ability for forward planning with steady progression of operative procedure
- 5 Obviously planned course of operation with effortless flow from one move to the next