## A. Introduction

- 1. Listed are some, but not all, indications for replantation. If, in your judgment, there is a possibility for replantation, then treat as such.
  - a) Clean guillotine-type amputations
  - b) Digit amputations
  - c) Amputation of an extremity
  - d) Penis amputation
  - e) Scalp amputations
  - f) Amputations of a foot or hand
  - g) Amputation of the nose or ear
  - h) Bilateral amputations

## **B.** Procedure

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- 1. Wash amputated part(s) in Normal Saline.
- 2. Wrap part in sterile gauze moistened with Normal Saline. Use a bulky dressing to protect the part(s).
- 3. Place dressing in dry plastic bag and squeeze air from the bag.
- 4. Place the bag in a container, on top of ice. DO NOT FREEZE. If ice is unavailable, use cold packs.
- 5. If amputation is incomplete, splint the attached portion and cool the devitalized portion.

## C. Precautions

- 1. Never freeze the part, pack or place directly on ice.
- 2. Never float the part in a solution.
- 3. If ice is not available, use a cold pack.
- 4. Do not delay patient transport. A second unit may search for amputated part.