

Introduction to Joint Replacement Surgery

Thank you for choosing Crestwood Medical Center to assist with your upcoming surgery needs. The goal of the Crestwood Medical Center team is to provide exceptional orthopedic care to patients undergoing hip and knee replacement surgery. Our expert team of surgeons, nurses, and physical therapist assistants will work to ensure an optimal outcome from surgery individually tailored to fit your needs. This informational program has been developed to help you and your family better understand the steps that will take place before, during, and after your joint replacement surgery. From pre-surgery preparations, through the recovery phase, we encourage you to be an active participant on your road to a more active lifestyle. After all, the most important member of your health care team is you.

Your Orthopedic Team



ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON

- Performs your surgery
- Visits you in the hospital
- Directs the orthopedic team throughout your recovery

CONSULTING PHYSICIAN

- Directs care in a specialty area
- Provides consultation as needed based on your doctor's orders
- Visits you in the hospital

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

- Assists the surgeon before, during, and after surgery
- Visits you in the hospital

NURSING STAFF

- Consists of trained, licensed nursing professionals who provide personal care during your hospital stay

SOCIAL WORKERS

- Trained professionals who arrange for the necessary medical equipment, community resources, etc to suit your needs after discharge from the hospital.

CASE MANAGERS

- Assist with insurance questions, financial planning, and care decisions.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

- Evaluate your physical capabilities and develops your Post-Op rehabilitation plan.

PHYSICAL THERAPY TECHNICIANS

- Instruct and assist you in your exercise and walking plan.