The Value of Joint Replacement for Patients with Osteoarthritis

Osteoarthritis is a progressive, destructive disease of the major joints for which there is no cure. It is a leading cause of disability in the U.S.

27 MILLION
Americans suffer from Osteoarthritis (OA).1

440 MILLION
Lost work days per year due to bone & joint disorders including OA.2

$110 BILLION/YEAR IN LOST WAGES
Bone and joint disorders drain more wages each year than any other medical condition.3

Rapid Recovery

Medicare patients who receive total hip & knee replacement show nearly half the risk of death after seven years.4

$12 BILLION IN SAVINGS
Estimated lifetime savings from knee replacements performed in 2009.5

$19,000 PER PATIENT LIFETIME
Amount saved over a patient lifetime due to reduced disability costs and improved productivity.6

$110,5 BILLION
IN SAVINGS
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23% PRICE DECLINE
Hip and knee replacements have shown a dramatic decline in price within the past six years.7

17% Employer Costs
Osteoarthritis drives up employer health costs.

Total joint replacement has been shown to restore mobility, relieve pain, and help osteoarthritis patients return to normal life.

HEALTHIER HEARTS

Patients 40% less likely to suffer from heart complications including heart attack, stroke and heart failure.8

RISK OF DEATH CUT IN HALF

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Total joint replacement is cost-saving and provides great value.

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