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# Starting an Outpatient Total Joint Replacement Program

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# Learning Objectives

- ▶ Share steps in starting on outpatient total joint replacement program
- ▶ Discuss lessons learned along the way

# About Us

Started Outpatient Total Joint Program **March 2015**

- ▶ 470 Total Hips
- ▶ 878 Total/Partial Knees
- ▶ 42 Total Shoulders

**1390 Total Joint Replacements**

# Overview

- ▶ Identifying Key Stakeholders
- ▶ Creating Buy-in
- ▶ Setting a Clear Vision
- ▶ Financial Considerations
- ▶ Evaluating Program
- ▶ Lessons Learned

# Stakeholders

- ▶ ASC Owners
- ▶ Surgeons
- ▶ Anesthesia
- ▶ Nursing
- ▶ Surgical Techs/Central Sterilization
- ▶ Administrative team
- ▶ Materials Manager
- ▶ Quality Assurance
- ▶ Physical Therapy

# Creating Buy-in

**Leadership-** It starts with us.

**Culture Change-** Understanding where you are today and where you want to be tomorrow.

**Decision Making-** Develop a Total Joint Committee

# Total Joint Committee

- ▶ Identify Key Stakeholders-no more than 10 members
- ▶ Assign Roles- Leader, Process Checker, Time Keeper, and Note Taker
- ▶ Develop a Charter- outlines structure and commitment of committee members

# Clear Vision

**ASC Owners and or Governing Body-**  
Sets the vision or goal.

**Total Joint Committee-** Determines timelines, creates protocols, develops education/training plan, and outlines implementation process.



# Financial Considerations

- ▶ Equipment/Medical Supplies
- ▶ Space
- ▶ Staffing
- ▶ Contracting

# Equipment/Medical Supplies

- ▶ Instrumentation
- ▶ Medications
- ▶ Implants

# Space

- ▶ Storage
- ▶ Impact on Post Anesthesia Care Unit

# Staffing

- ▶ Nurse Navigator
- ▶ Overnight Stay Coverage
- ▶ Premium Pay
- ▶ Additional Staff
- ▶ Education/Training
- ▶ Physical Therapy

# Contracting

- ▶ Negotiate best rates up front
- ▶ Be willing to walk away
- ▶ Leave it to the experts

# Evaluating Your Program

- ▶ Set Performance Metrics
- ▶ Share the Data
- ▶ Quality Assurance
- ▶ Patient Reported Outcomes

# Lessons Learned

- ▶ Nurse Navigator is critical to the *success* of our program.
- ▶ Physical Therapy/Prehab- helps to determine patients fitness for surgery and ability to have a safe home discharge

# Lesson Learned

- ▶ Creative Scheduling
- ▶ Medical Clearance/Partnership with Anesthesia
- ▶ Central Sterilization



Questions?

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