



Pre Surgical Clearance Checklist Joint Replacement

Date of Procedure: _____

- Dental clearance. Patients who are scheduled for total joint replacement are required to get a dental clearance prior to their surgery. There is a form provided to give to the dentist. The dentist must fax the completed form to us. Your dental clearance is good for 3 months.
- Medical / Cardiac clearance. Obtain a medical clearance from the pre-admissions department at the hospital. Please call pre-admission testing to schedule an appointment to get your labs and EKG done. **YOUR MEDICAL CLEARANCE IS ONLY GOOD FOR 30 DAYS** within the scheduled surgery date. If you require a cardiac clearance from your cardiologist, please arrange for their office to fax your echocardiogram or stress test results to our office. Our fax number is: 210-696-2665.

Additional responsibilities:

*Sign up for the Joint Replacement Class

*Obtain Venapro or similar sequential compression device for post-operative use. This is a cash pay item, and is available for purchase from our practice for \$300.00.

*Insurance benefits will be obtained to include deductible, co-insurance and out-of-pocket maximum. A quoted estimate will be provided for the surgeon's fees. These fees are due by the preoperative appointment for the procedure. Surgery will be cancelled if these fees are not paid.

*Any additional hospital, surgery center, anesthesiology fees, etc. are the patients responsibility. These may be charged separately, and may or may not be in network with your insurance carrier. We will be happy to provide codes and direct you to the proper resources if you would like to research your estimated fees.