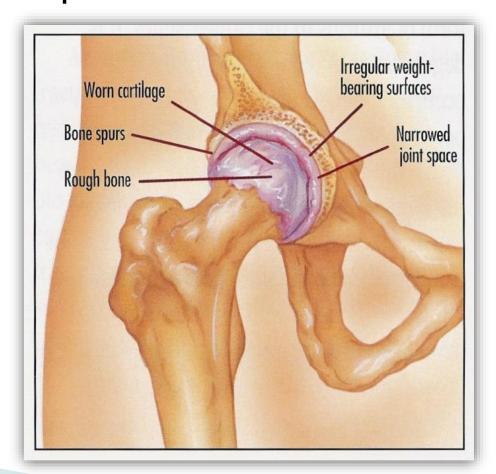


Arthritis of the hip





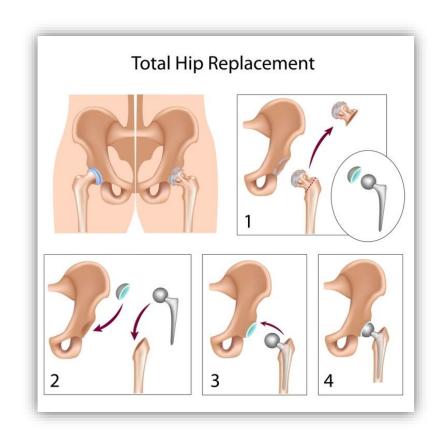
X-ray of normal hip vs. arthritic hip





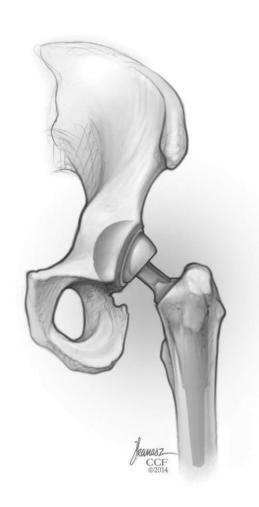
Surgical Process

- Surgeon will take off the top part of the femur
- Clean out the socket of your joint
- Titanium prosthesis will replace head of femur and socket of joint
- Results in some nice, clean joint movement after you are done recovering.





- Hip after total hip replacement
- You will have 3 movement precautions post surgery that will last for approximately 2 months or until your surgeon says otherwise.





Hip Precautions



Can **NOT** go past 90 degrees



Can **NOT** turn toes inward



Can **NOT** cross your legs

In order to get your old hip out and the new hip in, the surgeon has to spread apart some muscles, which makes them weak.

Putting your leg/hip in any one of these positions will push against the weak muscles and you are more apt to dislocate.