

J45 Hip Pain and Replacement

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Intro: Every year thousands of people undergo hip replacement surgery to get rid of pain caused by arthritis. The good news is that most hip replacement operations are successful, and people who have them are pain free. But sometimes, after years of wear, those replacement joints can loosen. New technology is making that happen much less often. But for people who do experience pain because of a worn out replacement, doctors at Mayo Clinic have ways to fix the problem.

Video

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Audio

“I WAS IN MY 20’S WHEN I STARTED HAVING TROUBLE.”

HIP PAIN THAT CYCLIST CINDY BRABBIT SAYS GOT

PROGRESSIVELY WORSE.

CYCLING HURT. AND SO DID HER OTHER HOBBIES SUCH AS

RUNNING MARATHONS AND

PLAYING TENNIS.

“EVENTUALLY I COULDN’T DO ANY OF THOSE ACTIVITIES ANYMORE.”

SO, AFTER YEARS OF DEALING

WITH THE PAIN, SHE DECIDED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

CINDY WENT TO MAYO CLINIC

CG :40 to
Daniel Berry, M.D.
Mayo Clinic

WHERE DR. DANIEL BERRY
OPERATED ON HER HIP.

“THESE ARE MS BRABBIT’S X-RAYS
BEFORE HER SURGERY.”

DR. BERRY SAYS CINDY’S HIP
REPLACEMENT WAS PUT IN WITH
WHAT’S CALLED UNCEMENTED
TECHNOLOGY. MEANING THE NEW
JOINT IS DESIGNED TO GROW INTO
THE BONE WITHOUT THE NEED
FOR CEMENT.

“SO MOST OF THEM, ONCE THEY
GROW INTO THE BONE, ARE NOT
PARTICULARLY LIKELY TO LOOSEN
UP. HAVING SAID THAT, MANY OF
THE IMPLANTS USED IN THE PAST
USED CEMENT. BONE CEMENT
AND CAN GRADUALLY LOOSEN.”

AND CAUSE PAIN. IMPLANTS CAN
ALSO COME LOOSE WHEN THE
PLASTIC PART OF THE IMPLANT
WEARS OUT, LEADING TO BONE
LOSS AROUND THE JOINT. IT

Standup
CG 1:12 to 1:20
Vivien Williams
Reporting

HAPPENED TO THIS OTHER
PATIENT WHO CAME TO SEE DR.
BERRY FOR A REVISION.
“YOU CAN SEE THAT THE SOCKETS
HAVE BECOME LOOSE, SCREWS
HAVE BROKEN AND THERE HAS
BEEN A LOT OF BONE LOSS.”

DR. BERRY SAYS IF YOU
EXPERIENCE PAIN AFTER YOU’VE
HAD A HIP REPLACEMENT, SEE
YOUR DOCTOR. BECAUSE THE
MORE THE IMPLANT
DETERIORATES, THE MORE
DIFFICULT IT IS TO FIX.

CINDY’S HIP REPLACEMENT IS STILL
STRONG. AND IT’S HELPING HER
STAY ACTIVE.

CG 1:26 to 1:35
Cindy Brabbit
Had hip replacement

“I WANT TO DO THINGS I COULDN’T
DO BEFORE. I WANT TO GO
CYCLING, I WANT TO CLIMB
MOUNTAINS AND NOW I CAN DO IT.
I’M AS GOOD AS NEW.
FOR MEDICAL EDGE, I’M VIVIEN

WILLIAMS.

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