



ALASKAN TOTAL JOINT REPLACEMENT CASE STUDY

Municipal workers in need of knee and hip replacements



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OBJECTIVES

Find a cost-effective provider to perform total joint (knee & hip) replacement surgery on the patient without compromising the quality of care.

OPTIONS

The Alternative

Alaska is known to have high-cost/low-value healthcare, with total joint replacements often costing \$70-80k to the health plan, while also requiring a significant patient financial obligation. These burdens often delay access to necessary care and lead to reduced productivity and increased absenteeism.

Direct Contract Solution

High Performance Providers offers a total joint replacement solution with a bundled payment arrangement, allowing patients and companions to travel to fabulous Las Vegas for a 9-day episode of care. The health plan waives any and all patient financial responsibility while covering travel and accommodations. Our orthopedic surgeon has performed over 3,300 total joint replacements in an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) with attached recovery suites, offering around-the-clock concierge care (nursing, physical therapy, and private chef) during the 48-hour stay. Validated outcome measures are published annually through an IRB study, demonstrating superior health outcomes than alternatives.

OUTCOMES

The health plan coordinates and pays for airfare/accommodations for the member in need of joint replacement surgery and his/her companion to travel to Las Vegas. The surgery is done by a world-class surgeon in an accredited (and Leapfrog surveyed) ambulatory surgery center where the patient is admitted to the recovery suites post-op for 48-hours. The patient then transfers to a local hotel where home health practitioners complete the 9-day episode of care, before returning home to Alaska to finish outpatient physical therapy. The health plan saves \$40-50k. The patient does not come out of pocket any money and returns to work/life quicker because of the superior healthcare delivered.

AT A GLANCE

Challenges

- Alaska is known to have high-cost/low-value healthcare, with total joint replacements costing \$70-80k.

Benefits

- Employers regularly save \$40-50k per surgery
- The member has zero patient financial responsibility and returns to life/work quicker because of the superior healthcare delivered.
- Patient and companion receive an all expenses covered trip to Las Vegas, NV



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