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Arthroplasty Central Intake Clinic Primary Hip and Knee Replacement Treatment

Dear Physician /Practitioner,

Burnaby Hospital is implementing an arthroplasty central intake process for hip and knee replacement surgery. The clinic aims to:

- Use a common referral form.
- Improve timely access for patients
- Improve communication with referring offices
- Equalize waitlists among surgeons and
- Provide an opportunity to optimize patients for surgery and recovery.

All referrals for patients who are potential candidates for primary total hip or total knee replacement treatment **MUST** be sent to our Arthroplasty Central Intake Clinic. Referrals sent to surgeons' offices will be redirected to our clinic. **Incomplete referrals will be sent back to your office.** Patients have the option of being scheduled for an appointment with the next available surgeon or the surgeon of their choice. Please note there may be a longer waiting time for surgeon of choice.

The following information is required for all referrals:

- Completed Arthroplasty Primary Hip and Knee Replacement referral form
- X-ray as specified on referral form
- Medical history

Please send or fax the above information to Arthroplasty Central Intake Clinic.

Referral form can be obtained from <http://physicians.fraserhealth.ca/> - Departments - General Practitioner – Central Intake Arthroplasty BH Referral Form.

If upon review of the required information it is determined that surgery is not an option at this time, we will provide your office with conservative management options you can share with your patient. If upon assessment it is determined your patient may be a candidate for surgery we will contact your office and the patient with a date and time of their surgeon consult.

Regards,

Arthroplasty Central Intake Clinic