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Surgical Academy of Joint Reconstruction



長庚紀念醫院

Chang Gung Memorial Hospital



Surgical Academy of Joint Reconstruction(SAJR)

- ◆ **A strong array of physicians** - There are 22 full-time physicians. They either worked at U.S. Mayo Clinic, or Harvard University, or Rush Medical Center, or Pittsburgh University (as a researcher), or U.S. Stanford University, or Japan Nagoya University (as the guest associate professor) °
- ◆ **With Profound clinical experience** - Accumulatively, it has undergone more than 30,000 cases of artificial joint replacement surgery. Currently, it gives more than 2,000 cases of primary joint replacement surgery every year, accounting for more than 10% of the total cases of this kind in Taiwan.
- ◆ **Leading in technique** - It specializes in various kinds of joint reconstruction including minimally invasive procedures, surgery with computer-aided navigation, rotation osteotomy, joint infection surgery and joint re-replacement surgery.
- ◆ **Quality assurance** - To use the optimal and most fitting artificial joint according to patients' need, and have exclusive care workers take care of patients after surgery for quick recovery.
- ◆ **Advanced equipment** - Operating rooms are equipped with beyond-standard dustless facilities, specialized surgery machinery and computer instruments.
- ◆ **Stellar achievement** - Due to the leadership of the team in the field of joint reconstruction, the team members are often invited to lecture in academic seminars held within and without, release academic papers and demonstrate surgery.



What are minimally invasive surgery?

Minimally invasive surgery is to use a specialized technique to minimize tissue trauma during operation. Patients may get quicker recovery, less pain, higher satisfaction, neater appearance on the surgery wound and better post-surgery rehabilitation from this kind of surgery

Does Chang Gung Hospital have sufficient experience in minimally invasive surgery?

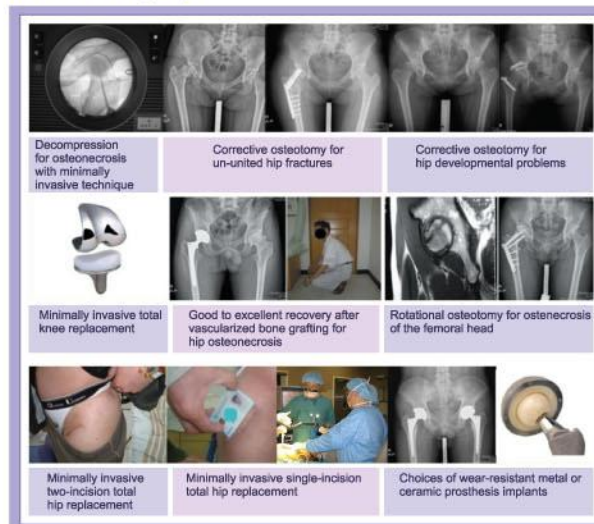
Chang Gung's SAJR is the navigator of minimally invasion. Its specialty physicians are not only often invited to give academic lectures, but they also demonstrate minimally invasive surgery in many hospitals including Prince of Wales Hospital in Hong Kong

How can I benefit from minimally invasive surgery?

It requires discussion with our physicians in the first place.

The choice of the most suitable treatment model shall be made after judging the inspection results and having sufficient communication.

Which kinds of cases are suitable for minimally invasive surgery?



Patient comfort



Professional physical therapy guide

Exclusive nursing and international service personnel



To reduce the postoperative pain and get natural as well as quick recovery

Minimal invasion can help quick recovery



Patients may freely squat and sit and be satisfied with the results

Education



To hold seminars to enhance the patients' communication with their counterpart patients and medical personnel



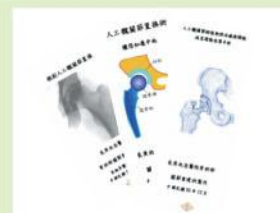
Demonstration of minimally invasive surgery at Prince of Wales Hospital, the Chinese University of Hong Kong



To hold training to educate the joint reconstruction researchers within and without



To periodically hold academic workshops and surgery demonstrations



To provide articulate health education material and ensure medical quality



Word-of-mouth reputation More than 10% of patients island wide have chosen Chang Gung Memorial Hospital to receive artificial joint replacement surgery, mainly because of its excellent surgery quality. Patient's acclamation is case iron proof for our quality.

Solid evidence As per the data released by Taiwan Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation and the Bureau of National Health Insurance, the patients of Chang Gung Memorial Hospital have the shortest number of average hospitalization days and lowest overall medical cost. In addition, the rates of their postoperative complication and infection are also lower than their counterparts in other hospitals.

Academic achievement The joint reconstruction team members have continued to release their papers in top-notch periodicals. The team's medical quality has passed the academia inspection. To sum up, based on its academic achievement, it leads in the industry with its outstanding medical development and quality.

Treatment items

Item	Surgery cost	Hospitalization cost
Artificial hip joint replacement	USD 4,500~6,000	USD 300/day In general, it requires four hospitalization days
Artificial knee joint replacement	USD 4,500~6,000	USD 300/day In general, it requires four hospitalization days
Joint osteotomy and other surgery	Please contact us	USD 300/day In general it require 7 hospitalization days
The above price information is based on the cost occurring to the patients who received the same treatment or surgery in a certain period of time, so it is only for reference. The cost of each case shall be estimated or confirmed by the doctor after diagnosis.		

Expense Annotation :

1. We accept NTD cash and credit card. The list price of USD above just for reference only, it depends on the exchange rate at the time.
2. The list price information above is based on the cost occurring to the patients who received the same treatment or surgery in a certain period of time, so it is only for reference. Besides, the price depends on the results of doctor's consultation.

◆ **How long will it take to recover after the artificial joint replacement surgery?**

It depends on your pre-surgery condition. In general, with appropriate guidance, patients can take care of themselves without relying on others the next day of the surgery. About two weeks after the surgery, patients will be able to return to their normal livelihood and do proper workout. As a whole, the recovery period will be no more than 12 weeks.

◆ **How much will it cost to receive surgery at the Surgical Academy of Chang Gung hospital?**

Based on past experience, the total cost shall be no more than US\$10,000. However, it does not include the expenses, such as traveling cost, hotel accommodations, and the cost incurred from the accompanying family members. The actual cost may change as per the physical status of individual patients. For more details, please contact International Service Center or check out on our website.

◆ **Why the joint replacement surgery conducted by Taiwan Chang Gung Memorial Hospital can be more inexpensive than that in Europe, the U.S., Japan, New Zealand, Australia, Korea, Singapore and even China?**

Without taking cost as our major consideration, we use the best artificial joint material. However, due to our large consumption, the surgery expenses and management costs have been effectively reduced. Thus, in term of cost vs. medical quality, we provide excellent quality with reasonable price. Taking Singapore for example, additional US\$3,000 is required by them for the artificial joint replacement. The cost is even one to four times as much in Europe, the U.S. and Japan. Their cost does not even include other invisible living costs, price variance in daily necessities, and transportation costs, etc. Even though our price is inexpensive, we offer higher quality of medical services. In this way, our health insurance institution may reduce their deficit, medical institutions can have sustainable operation, and patients can also be satisfied with the treatment results. It is not only a multi-winning strategy, but also a global development trend.