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What is MARCQI?

Your surgeon is a member of the Michigan Arthroplasty Registry Collaborative Quality Initiative, MARCQI. This collaborative is a statewide group of orthopaedic surgeons, hospitals, and ambulatory surgery centers working together to improve the safety and quality of hip and knee joint replacement surgeries in Michigan.

MARCQI conducts three statewide meetings a year to share data and identify improvement areas. Each site has a physician leader and data abstractor working as part of a quality improvement team.

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MARCQI’s three main goals:

1. Improve patient safety in Michigan by promoting better outcomes.
2. Enable surgeons and hospitals across the state to work together to improve quality.
3. Make Michigan the best place in the world to have a joint replacement.

Why is MARCQI important?

When healthcare facilities and doctors participate in MARCQI, they agree to work together to develop and share best practices for treating and managing patients in their care. MARCQI members work together to reduce unnecessary transfusions and discharge to nursing homes.

Reducing Blood Transfusions

Reducing Discharge to Nursing Homes

MARCQI PROS Questionnaires

As part of MARCQI, your surgeon will track your recovery over time using regular questionnaires through MARCQI PROS.

Only you can tell your surgeon how much better you feel or how your activity increased after surgery.

You will be asked a set of questions before your surgery and one to three months after your surgery. You may receive annual follow up questionnaires to track your progress.

Your MARCQI surgeon uses this information to follow your improvement and ensure that they are providing the best care practices resulting in:

- Personalized care
- Best surgical treatment
- Best recovery and follow-up