



Oregon Surgical Institute Performs 1,000th Joint Replacement Procedure

70% of total joint cases are now outpatient; up from 30% since 2018

Oregon Surgical Institute (OSI) has reached a significant milestone marking the 1,000th outpatient joint replacement surgery at the center. Designed as an outpatient center of excellence specifically for complex procedures, OSI focuses on total joint replacement, spine, orthopedics, pain management, and cardiology.

In a joint venture with surgeon partners and Regent Surgical Health, OSI quickly shifted from performing 30% of patients eligible at opening and trending towards 70% being eligible with enhanced clinical practice.

“We have experienced a tremendous shift in outpatient surgery and our 1000th total joint case represents an important achievement for everyone on our team,” said OSI Partner James Ballard, M.D. “It is a culmination of years of training and outstanding collaboration among all members of our surgical and clinical care team, and at the heart of our success is our commitment to quality care and exceptional outcomes for our patients.”

Quality outcomes are due in large part to a single care pathway throughout the facility – one that physicians support, staff are educated on, and everyone delivers consistently.

Innovation is also a key contributor. OSI recently introduced robotic-assisted technology to improve the precision of select knee and hip replacement surgeries, enabling better patient outcomes.

“Investing in the robotic-assisted technology was a significant decision,” said OSI surgeon partner Christopher Nanson, M.D. “With the robots, we are able to provide each patient with a more personalized surgical experience and it allows surgeons to create a patient’s surgical plan prior to the procedure.”

OSI has implemented high-quality standards, safety precautions and best practices around total joint programs since inception. The surgery center’s success derives from the surgeon partners being focused and having aligned visions, pre-operative patient education ensuring patient and care coaches are well-prepared. The center has dedicated total joint coordinators as well as a physical therapist on staff to work with patients throughout the process.

“When Regent partnered with Dr. Nanson, Dr. Ballard and our other surgeon partners at OSI, it was before CMS considered moving joint replacements to an outpatient setting,” said Regent Surgical Health CEO Chris Bishop. “They have operationalized collaboration and nimbleness to a degree that we haven’t seen before. They are experts at controlling costs and relentless in their pursuit of the highest quality outcome.”