

Total Hip Replacement

Total hip surgery replaces the diseased and damaged parts of the hip joint with specially designed metal and plastic ball and socket parts.

STEP 1

The femur (thigh bone) is separated from the pelvis' socket joint.

STEP 2

The damaged ball is cut off the femur bone.

STEP 3

Damaged cartilage and bone are removed from the hip socket with a reaming device.

STEP 4

A metal shell is pressed into the socket of the pelvic bone. Bone graft material is used to hold the new socket in place.

STEP 5

A special plastic liner is locked into the metal shell, and the artificial socket is complete.

STEP 6

The doctor finishes the femur implantation. First, the end of the femur is hollowed out and filled with bone cement.

STEP 7

The metal implant is placed into the hollowed femur.

STEP 8

A metal ball component is attached to the stem. It will act like the leg's original ball.



