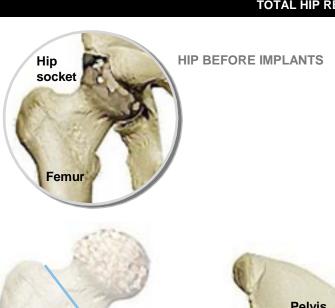
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TOTAL HIP REPLACEMENT





Overview

This surgery replaces diseased and damaged portions of the hip with implants designed to restore function to the hip joint.

Damaged Bone Removed

After the femur (thigh bone) is separated from the hip socket, the damaged ball is removed.

Hip Socket Cleaned

Damaged cartilage and bone are removed from the hip socket.

Metal Shell Inserted

A metal shell is pressed into the hip socket. The shell may be held in place with bone cement or screws.

Liner Inserted

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

Femur Prepared

The surgeon now focuses on the femur implant. First, the end of the femur is hollowed out.

Implant Inserted

The metal implant is placed into the top of the thigh bone. Bone cement may be used.

Ball Attached

A metal or ceramic ball component is attached to the stem.

End of Procedure

The new ball and socket components are joined to form the new hip joint.