Impact of Preoperative Opioid Use on Joint Arthroplasty Outcomes

Total knee arthroplasty (TKA) and total hip arthroplasty (THA) comprise >1 million procedures annually in the US





Impact of preoperative opioid use on postoperative outcomes of TKA or THA was evaluated



(Data from 2 National Insurance Databases between 2003-2014)

Impact of preoperative opioid use for TKA and THA patients

Postoperative outcomes	TKA	THA
30-day readmission	13%	46%
1-year revision	61%	119%
3-year revision	59%	90%

Trends persisted even after adjusting for age, sex, and Charlson Comorbidity Index

Prolonged preoperative opioid use is significantly associated with increased risk of early readmission and future revision after TKA or THA

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