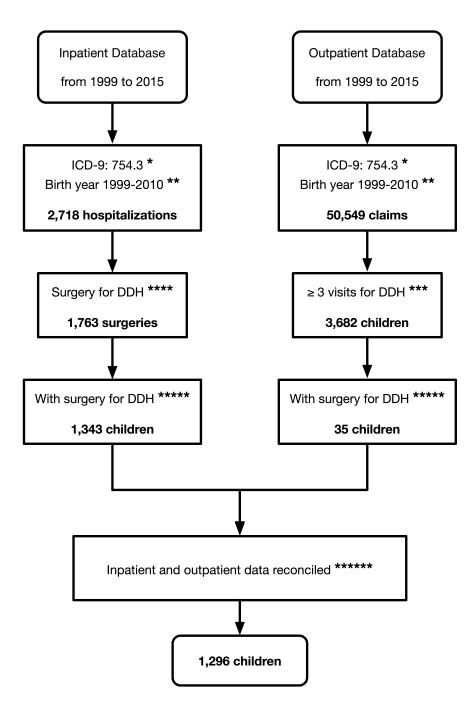
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Appendix 1

Flow diagram of study inclusion and exclusion criteria



- * DDH diagnoses associated with neuromuscular diseases and congenital anomalies were excluded.
- ** Patients born before 1999 or after 2010 were excluded.
- *** Patients with three or more orthopedic visits for DDH were included.
- **** Surgeries with ICD-9 procedure codes 77.25, 77.35, 77.39, 78.25, 79.75, 79.85, 81.40, or 83.12 were included.
- ***** The first surgery of patients who underwent one or more surgeries for DDH was recorded.
- ****** Patients who underwent their first surgery before 6 months or after 5 years of age were excluded.