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Minimally-invasive hip replacement surgery now offered by leading orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Peter Curcione

Dr. Curcione to host free educational seminar Oct. 22 on hip replacement

FORT MYERS, Fla. (Oct. 1, 2009) – For patients suffering from chronic hip pain, advancements in minimally-invasive hip replacement surgery offer a less painful procedure and a faster recovery. Dr. Peter Curcione is among the first orthopaedic surgeons in Southwest Florida to offer the anterior approach to hip replacement, an innovative, less invasive alternative to traditional surgery allowing patients to return to their normal, active lifestyles more quickly. The public is invited to an upcoming free seminar to learn more.

Hip replacement is a major surgery. While traditional hip replacement involves operating from the side or back of the hip, the direct anterior approach requires a smaller incision, about three to four inches long at the front or anterior of the hip. The anterior approach procedure to total hip replacement has been gaining popularity due to its potential benefits including reduced scarring and minimized risk of muscle damage.

“When symptoms can no longer be controlled through non-operative treatments, hip replacement surgery may be the best option,” said Curcione. “The anterior approach to hip replacement offers a less invasive, less painful option. We call it the ‘muscle-friendly’ approach because we do not surgically detach the muscles or tendons. Patients get moving and back to their normal routines much quicker.”

To provide more information on treatment options for severe hip pain, including information on the anterior approach to hip replacement, Curcione will host a free educational seminar on **Oct. 22 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Hampton Inn, Airport I-75, 9241 Market Place Road in south Fort Myers.**

The topics to be addressed will include:

- Osteoarthritis and causes of hip pain

- The range of treatment options including anterior approach hip procedure
- How hip replacement works, what to expect and recovery

Participants will be encouraged to ask questions and learn about options for relieving pain and restoring mobility. **Sign up today by calling 239-368-8277.** Participants who bring a friend will receive a free gift. Space is limited

“It is my goal as an orthopaedic surgeon to help my patients heal more quickly with less pain, reduced scarring and fewer restrictions,” said Curcione. “Following anterior approach to hip replacement, most patients are quickly returning to the golf course, the gym and the other activities they enjoy.”

About Dr. Curcione:

Dr. Curcione is a board certified orthopaedic surgeon and a partner in the Athletic Orthopaedic Reconstruction Center. With offices in Fort Myers and Lehigh Acres, Curcione has served patients in Southwest Florida since 1997. His specialty training and interests include joint replacement surgery, including minimally-invasive procedures such as the anterior approach to hip replacement. In addition, Curcione is experienced and trained in treating disorders of the shoulder and the hand, including fracture care, carpal tunnel syndrome, arthritis care and reconstructive surgery of the hand. He is trained in arthroscopic shoulder surgery, specifically, all arthroscopic rotator cuff repairs and ligament repairs, as well as arthroscopic reconstruction of the shoulder. He takes great care to keep up to date with the most cutting-edge technologies and procedures, so that, he can optimally serve his patients.

For more information, visit www.bone-fix.com. Click [video](#) to view a broadcast of how the anterior approach to hip replacement surgery is performed.

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