



# Preparing for

## **Hip Arthroscopy**

### Risks of Surgery

- Infection
- Bleeding
- Damage to nerves, arteries, veins
  - Pudendal nerve palsy
    - Temporary sexual dysfunction
    - Temporary groin numbness
  - Lateral femoral cutaneous nerve injury

- Hardware breakage or failure
- Labrum not repairable
- Re-tear if labrum is repaired
- Clotting
- Stiffness
- Fracture or dislocation
- Abdominal fluid extravasation
- Continued pain
- Bone re-growth
- Need for additional surgeries
- \* Expect foot numbness and tingling for 24 hours \*

#### **Surgical Center**

- Once your surgery is scheduled, the surgical center will contact you the day before and let you know when to arrive at the hospital.
  - o If needed, please ask the representative for directions at that time.
- No eating or drinking after midnight the night before your surgery.

#### **Physical Therapy**

- It is your responsibility to have a physical therapy (PT) appointment scheduled for **2-3 days** after your surgery.
  - o You should schedule this appointment in advance.
  - o Dr. Tabaddor's PT protocol is included in this folder. Please bring it to your physical therapist.
- We can offer a list of PT locations.

#### **Medical Equipment**

- You will be given the appropriate medical equipment (i.e. crutches, knee immobilizer) for your specific surgery at your pre-operative visit.
- You may want to consider purchasing an ice machine (Polar Care).
  - o This is not covered by insurance and costs \$250.
  - o If you decide to buy this, please remember to bring the pad with you to the hospital so that it may be applied immediately after surgery.

#### School/Work

• Please let us know if you will be needing a note to excuse your absence from school or work.

#### **Medications**

- You will be given 2 prescriptions on the day of surgery
  - o Naprosyn this is to be taken twice daily for 3 weeks to reduce the risk of bone re-growth.
  - o A narcotic pain medication this is to be taken as needed for pain.

#### **Billing Questions**

• Please direct any questions regarding billing to 401.443.4111.