

## Embrace Change Take Charge

CMS finalized its proposal to remove total knee arthroplasty (TKA) from the inpatient-only list. Approximately 48% of Medicare TKA cases will be done as outpatients. Hip arthroplasty is soon to follow. It is more critical now for surgeons that specialize in joint replacement to adopt programs like the SwiftPath Method to help ensure successful outpatient surgeries. This is possible by employing:

- Minimally invasive techniques
- Measurable selection criteria
- Patient and family engagement
- Home monitoring and readmission prevention

Surgeons who pro-actively institute these proven protocols benefit by building a successful, more cost-effective practice.

There is also significant benefits for patients, including:

- Less pain, less narcotics
- Rapid rehabilitation
- Lower infection rates
- Lower out-of-pocket costs

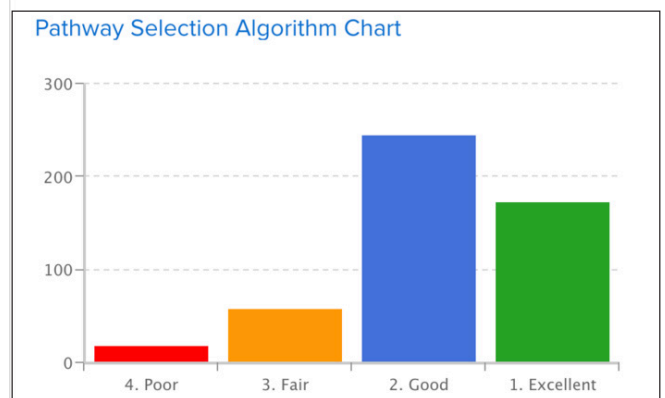
And the best part – they can recover at home.

[LinkedIn article by Craig McAllister, MD](#)

## There's an app for that!

Imagine an app that could help predict the best surgical path for a patient based on their health risks, recovery environment, caregiver and other variables. That app exists. It's called the Pathway Selection Algorithm.

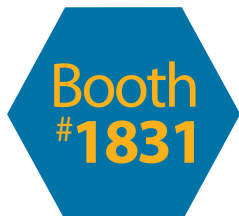
The app was developed by a team of SwiftPath programmers with input from Surgeon RoundTables. Patients answer a series of weighted questions and the app yields a score that is used to help decide which pathway (inpatient or outpatient) is most ideal. With a 99% success rate, the Pathway Selection Algorithm is a proven tool.



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## Secure, Cloud-Based Communication Platform

SwiftPath uses a secure, online platform to monitor postoperative recovery. When pain rises above a moderate score or there is another issue, the app alerts the team to call the patient.



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