



PRESS RELEASE

Three million milestone reached

A patient at The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital is the three millionth entry in the National Joint Registry, a database that collects high quality and relevant data about joint replacement surgery in order to monitor and report on outcomes in a continuous drive to ensure the quality and cost-effectiveness of joint replacement surgery, and also supports and enables related research.

Patient Roger Westbury was notified that he was the three millionth entry in the National Joint Registry following his hip replacement at the Royal Orthopaedic in September 2019.

Roger, a keen walker, learnt of the milestone following a walking trip in Rotterdam, just 11 weeks after his hip replacement.

Roger said,

“The care I received at The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital was excellent and I was home after two nights. It’s enjoyable to be walking again with no pain; we covered 30 miles in Rotterdam and I wouldn’t have managed that before the operation.”

“I was unaware of the full work and impact of the National Joint Registry before I was informed I was the three millionth patient added to it. It is reassuring to know that a database like this exists and helps improve patient care.”

A wide range of implants can be used in the joint replacement operations. The registry helps to monitor the performance of these implants and the effectiveness of different types of surgery, improving clinical standards and benefiting patients, clinicians and the orthopaedic sector as a whole.

Mr Yuvraj Agrawal, the surgeon who completed the procedure at The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital said,

“It was unexpected, but positive news. The National Joint Registry is a very important resource which helps ensure we are able to offer patients the best, evidence-based treatment.”

The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital is one of the largest specialist orthopaedic units in Europe and rank among the best in the NHS for patient experience and clinical outcomes.



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Notes to editors:

1. The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is one of the largest specialist orthopaedic units in Europe. We offer planned orthopaedic surgery to people locally, nationally and internationally.
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