

Regional Patient Information

We have the pleasure of treating patients from all over Australia. We tailor our peri-operative management around convenience, with systems in place to ensure you are well supported from a distance. Whether flying to Adelaide for your procedure or driving several hours, this page outlines what to expect.

KEY STEPS

01 Pre-Op Planning

Telehealth consultations available for regional patients prior to surgery.

02 Hospital Stay

Typically 2–4 nights post-operatively at Eastwood Private Hospital.

03 Dressings & Wound Care

Hypafix dressing: can get wet; remove if still present after 2 weeks.

04 Flying Home

Direct flights acceptable. Carry medications in original packaging.

QUICK FACTS

STAY

2–4 Nights

SWIMMING

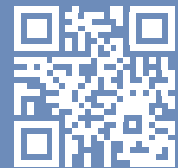
4 Weeks Post-Op

DRESSING

Hypafix, Waterproof

TRAVEL

Fly Home Direct



“Distance should never be a barrier

to world-class orthopaedic care.”

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How long before I can fly home after surgery?

You can fly directly home after discharge — usually 2–4 nights post-op. Dr Liew may recommend an extra night if you need more independence before a long flight.

Q. Can I get my Hypafix dressing wet?

Yes. Shower normally and pat it dry. Leave it on until it lifts naturally, or remove after 2 weeks if still in place.

Q. What about medications at customs?

Carry controlled substances (e.g. Endone, Palexia) in original dispensed packaging and do not carry more than prescribed. This avoids issues at customs.

ABOUT THE SURGEON

Dr Chien-Wen Liew exclusively performs total hip replacements via the direct anterior approach and total knee replacements via kinematic alignment only. He utilises patient-specific technology for both procedures, and practices from Orthopaedics 360 — within the Eastwood Private Hospital Precinct.

Dr Chien-Wen Liew

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