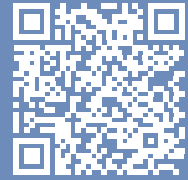


Revision Hip Replacement



SCAN TO READ MORE

A revision hip replacement is surgery to change some or all of a previous hip replacement. Modern hip replacements are durable and most last many years, but a small proportion need revising over a lifetime. This guide explains why revisions happen, how they are assessed, and includes important information about which revision referrals Dr Liew accepts.

THE TECHNIQUE

O1 What Revision Means

Replacing one or more parts of an existing artificial hip.

O2 Why It Is Needed

Wear, loosening, infection, instability or fracture around the implant.

O3 How It Is Assessed

History, examination, X-rays, blood tests and sometimes aspiration.

O4 Referral Policy

Dr Liew revises only hips he originally performed – not other surgeons.

O5 Prevention First

A well-planned primary replacement is the best way to avoid revision.

AT A GLANCE

NEED REVISION

A Minority

COMMON CAUSE

Wear, Loosening

REFERRALS

Own Patients

BEST PREVENTED

Sound Primary

“Revision is careful, individualised work — planned around the implant in place, the bone left, and the reason for it.”

— Dr Chien-Wen Liew

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Do most hip replacements need revising?

No. Most modern hip replacements last many years; only a minority are revised over a lifetime.

Q. Will Dr Liew revise a hip replaced by another surgeon?

No. Dr Liew revises only hips he originally replaced. Other revisions are best managed by a dedicated revision arthroplasty service.

Q. How do I know if my hip replacement has a problem?

New or increasing pain, instability, or a change in how the hip functions should be reviewed by your GP or surgeon.

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.

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