

GET BACK TO YOUR ACTIVE LIFE

Total and Partial Knee and Hip Replacement Surgery

As part of our ongoing efforts to best serve the community, we are proud to be the only hospital in Manchester to offer Stryker's Mako Robotic-Arm Assisted Total Joint Replacement surgery, which transforms the way joint replacements are performed and reduces healing and recovery time. Your desire to get back to your active life is possible, and the care is local. Take it from Tony:

Q Where do you live Tony?

I live in San Francisco, California.

Q Why would somebody fly from San Francisco to Manchester, NH in the middle of winter to get their knee replaced?

The answer is simple. Trust. Before moving to the Bay Area 6 years ago, I lived in Concord for nearly 13 years.

Q So why then?

OK... I'll tell 'ya the story. When my hip really gave way a couple of years ago, my doctor gave me a couple of business cards for Ortho guys in the Bay Area. What was I going to do? Call them and ask them whether they were any good? So, I reached out to old friends with community connections and some of them had very positive experiences with Elliot Orthopaedics and Dr. Lawless in particular. You take a reference like that. Cross country? No problem. Peace of mind. Trust.

Q So what do you expect moving forward?

I first hurt my knee nearly 40 years ago. I still played Hockey for another 25 years, even played a couple of games against Gordie Howe. I don't regret wearing all the tread off of the tires. I'm not



sure my bad joints have slowed me down as much as they've hobbled me. Maybe I won't play hockey again, but I'd like to skate. I'd like to walk 18 holes of golf without having a 3 day recovery period.

Everybody has the right to be their best without having to slouch and accept what time and punishment have put upon them.

Q But still, why here?

Here's the real point. I still work in High Tech writing software and have to learn new things every day, or I'm gone. The real

reason I'm here at Elliot Orthopaedics and with Dr. Lawless is because he knows that learning new things, Mako in particular, is the key to delivering possibilities to people no matter how great or modest their goals. That's what it's all about and that's why I had my surgery with Dr. Lawless using the Mako Robotic technology.

Q You had surgery in January and it's been less than a month, how are you doing?

I was walking up and down the halls of Elliot Hospital hours after my surgery. My limp is gone and I feel amazing. I know I will skate once again and get back to walking 18 holes of golf.

Q Would you recommend total knee surgery to people considering it? Absolutely! Why suffer? This was worth the trip across the country and I'm living proof that recovery is smooth and incredibly fast. I have the good folks at Elliot Orthopaedics to thank for that!