



2017 SPECIALTY DAY

MARCH 18, 2017 | SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA



Session IV: Geriatric Hip Fractures

1:10 pm – 2:40 pm

Moderators: Stephen L. Kates, MD and Michael Suk, MD, JD

- 1:10 pm – 1:20 pm Top 5 papers or ideas that challenge conventional wisdom about hip fracture care:
- CT scan of head after fall in elderly patients with hip fracture
 - What is the appropriate number of times to follow up a hip fx in clinic
 - Use of telemedicine in hip fracture care
- Daniel S. Horwitz, MD*
- 1:20 pm – 1:30 pm Bundled Payments for Hip Fractures: Is It Possible? Should Hemiarthroplasty be Included a Total Hip Bundle?
- Simon C. Mears, MD, PhD*
- 1:30 pm – 1:40 pm Discussion
- 1:40 pm – 1:50 pm Geriatric Fracture Bundling – What's Next?
- Michael Suk, MD, JD*
- 1:50 pm – 2:00 pm Best Practices of Top Fragility Fracture Programs
- Stephen L. Kates, MD*
- 2:00 pm – 2:10 pm Discussion
- 2:10 pm – 2:20 pm Why a Hospital Administration Does and Does Not Want a Geriatric Fracture Program
- Simon C. Mears, MD, PhD*
- 2:20 pm – 2:30 pm How to Calculate the Total Cost of Care in Geriatric Fracture Care
- Susan V. Bukata, MD*
- 2:30 pm – 2:40 pm Discussion

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[Folbert EC¹](#), [Hegeman JH²](#), [Vermeer M³](#), [Regtuijt EM⁴](#), [van der Velde D²](#), [Ten Duis HJ⁵](#), [Slaets JP⁶](#).

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Bundled Payments for Hip Fracture: Is it Possible? Should hemiarthroplasty included in a total hip bundle?

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Bundled payment models give one payment of the entire 90 day period around surgery. They include costs of hospitalization, providers and all postoperative care including readmission. Current arthroplasty bundles including the elective BPCA and the mandatory CCJR include hip arthroplasty when used to treat fracture (both hemiarthroplasty and total hip. The SHFFT model is a mandatory bundle that includes fractures of the hip and femur. This will be started in July in areas already participating in CCJR. Care of fracture patients undergoing arthroplasty has been shown to be 82% more that for elective patients. Savings for elective bundles include care reorganization, preoperative patient selection and maximization, decrease length of hospital stay, less readmissions, decreased use of post discharge facilities and home care. Most of these care improvement methods are impossible in the non-elective hip fracture patient.

Care improvement for the fracture patient includes the use of a hip fracture service and co-management to decrease costs of care during the hospitalization. This approach has been shown to reduce readmissions and complications. In a few cases, the healthy arthroplasty patient may be discharged home.

In conclusion, not only is it possible, but bundled payment models for hip fracture are mandatory in areas of the country. These patients are more expensive than elective patients even with the best of care. In order to limit losses, centers will need a well-functioning hip fracture program and will need to work with SNF facilities to redesign post discharge care. While hemiarthroplasty is different than elective arthroplasty, its inclusion in current bundled payment models is unlikely to change. Hopefully the new administration will reconsider that risk stratification approaches are necessary for hip fracture patients.

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Why a hospital administration does and does not want a hip fracture service

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To develop a hip fracture service, it is critical to have the full enthusiasm of hospital administration. Resources, including hospitalists, IT, access to data, therapists, coordinators are critical to developing a well-functioning service. In developing a plan for administration, it is important that the physician develop a business plan that can be delivered quickly and succinctly to the hospital C suite.

Reasons that hospital may be in favor of a developing a fracture service include

- To make money when they are currently losing it
- To improve quality metrics is, they are not currently doing a good job
- To develop a signature program with accreditation that can create more business
- They are currently in the CJR/ SHFFT bundled payment program and highly likely to lose money without improvements in hip fracture care

Reasons that a hospital may not be in favor of a developing a fracture service include

- Low case volume (not indicated if < 50 cases, only makes money when >300 cases per year)
- Not enough operating rooms for early surgery
- Not enough hospital beds to support hip fracture growth
- Unreliable surgeons
- Unreliable medical support
- The hospital is losing money and cannot support any new programs

In conclusion, it is important to understand why or why not a hospital may be in support of a hip fracture program. This information is critical when presenting a pitch for a hip fracture service to hospital administration.

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