

Every Day:

- No smoking! Avoid secondhand smoke.
- Balance activity and rest.
- Resume a well-balanced diet or the specific diet your physician recommended.
- Take your medication as prescribed. Avoid NSAIDS (Advil, Naproxen, Ibuprofen, etc.) until your doctor tells you to take them.
- Monitor your surgery site daily.

Zone ToolTotal Hip Replacement

All Clear Zone ... This is the safety zone if:

- Your pain is controlled by prescribed pain medications
- There is no swelling, redness or draining at your surgery site
- All appointments with physical therapy or your doctor are kept

Warning Zone ... Call your doctor if:

- Your pain is not controlled by prescribed pain medications
- Your fever is higher than 100.5
- You have swelling that seems to be worsening, redness, opening of wound or cloudy or bloody drainage from your surgical site
- You are not tolerating physical therapy well

Medical Alert Zone ... Go to the Emergency Room or call 911 if:

- You have a fall at home
- You experience shortness of breath or chest pain



