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"The LCS difference is a **BIG** difference!"

Total Knee Replacement As Simple As The Letters L C S

I'll get right to the point. LCS total knee replacement is, without question, the best prosthesis for your patients.

Of course, I am assuming you want the very best for those patients in your care!

They depend on you completely and trust that you will provide great care. For your knee arthritis patients, great care involves knowing what prosthesis is best for them.



All Total Knees Are Not Created Equal

I have a humorous slide in one of my talks that shows two wrestlers and says "If you think all total knee prostheses are equal, you must believe that professional wrestling is real." For those who think that professional wrestling is real, you can stop reading now!

"LCS Total Knee – So much behind it, so far ahead.

Many of you who know me already realize how zealous I am in trying to spread the gospel of LCS to physicians and patients alike.

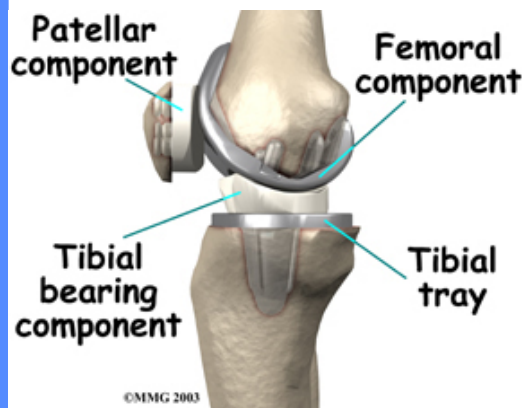
When Lee Iacocca was doing Chrysler commercials, he used to say "If you can find a better car, buy it." This applies to total knees also, I believe. I never have any fear that a better knee will be found than the LCS total knee prosthesis.

Why? It is so simple.

LCS is the only total knee prosthesis that works like the natural knee to flex and extend and rotate or pivot. No other total knee pivots. So what?

Well, for starters, it vastly reduces the stress on the polyethylene spacer allowing the prosthesis to last for 20 years and counting. Is that a big deal? Most patients think so.

No other total knee can say that. Polyethylene breakdown is the chief reason we have to revise other total knee prostheses. Polyethylene wear can destroy the knee if it is not recognized and the knee revised before too much change occurs.



LCS stands for Low Contact Stress, which is what makes the prosthesis have such a long life. Think of it! 20 years and counting.

What, me worry about you finding a better total knee for your patients? Won't happen.

I do worry that physicians and patients will not hear the message that I am presenting. I realize that it is confusing for physicians and patients because there are so many different total knee prostheses available.

The danger is to lump them all together and say they all must be good because they do about the same thing therefore, we don't need to think about it any more.

Please remember what I said in the beginning. Your patients depend on you to know what's best.

Hopefully by reading this you won't think of a total knee as a simple hinge. It has to pivot and rotate too and LCS is the only total knee that does what the natural knee does.

"An educated patient is our best outcome."

Low contact stress on the plastic polyethylene equals a long, happy life for the prosthesis. Happy prosthesis = happy patient.

Be a hero to your patient. Educate them about what is best for them.

Good health.

Good life.

All the best to you.

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