

EQUIP-TJR

Have you had a hip or knee replacement for osteoarthritis in the past 4 months? Have you finished your rehabilitation program?

A research team, led by Dr. Marie Westby (principal investigator) at the Centre for Aging SMART in Vancouver, is studying patient experiences and the quality of care during their rehabilitation (rehab) after total joint replacement (TJR). They developed **quality indicators (QIs)** by reviewing the published research and getting input from expert clinicians, researchers, and patients from across Canada. These quality indicators state the quality of rehab care that all patients having TJR surgery can expect to receive.

Patients can use these QIs to:

- Understand what to expect and track their rehab care
- Talk to their rehab providers about their needs and personal goals
- Engage in and make decisions about their own care

The team is now creating an online toolkit of resources called the **EQUIP-TJR** toolkit. It includes a variety of print and electronic resources created with patient input. Before testing the toolkit in clinical settings, they would like to know your views on the quality indicators related to rehab after discharge from the hospital. They are also interested in your overall rehab experience and satisfaction.

Your responses will help the research team to refine the questionnaire and capture a 'snap shot' of current rehab practices across Canada.

If you would like to complete the 20-25 minute survey, go to: <http://tiny.cc/PatientQISurvey>

The survey closes February 28, 2024. **Two \$50 Indigo gift cards will be offered as prize draws!**

Participation in this survey is voluntary and by completing the survey, you are consenting to participate in the study. They will provide more information about who can participate in the study and how your responses will be kept confidential at the start of the questionnaire.

If you have any questions you may contact the Principal Investigator Dr. Marie Westby (marie.westby@ubc.ca) or email equip.agingsmart@ubc.ca