## Anterior Hip Replacement Care Pathway After Discharge DEPARTMENT OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY Day 2 Day 9 Day 12 Day 3 Day 5 Day 6 Day 7 Day 8 **Day 10 Day 11 Day 13** Day 1 Day 4 **Day 14** Take pain medication as directed by your surgeon. Start weaning Take Pain your pain meds after 4 or 5 days as Take Take Take Medication | Medication tolerated. (Decrease the number of Medication Medication Medication Medication begin weaning) begin weaning) begin weaning) (begin weaning) pills or increase the time between pills.) **Take** Take **Take medication** to prevent blood **Blood Clot** Medication Medication Medication Medication Medication Medication Medication | Medication Medication Medication Medication | Medication Medication Medication clots as directed by your surgeon. Medication Apply an ice pack for 20 minutes as Ice your Hip tolerated throughout the day. Ice often and Thigh (20 minutes on, 20 minutes off.) Position your leg | Prop your leg Elevate leg Elevate leg | Elevate leg Elevate leg Elevate leg | Elevate leg Elevate leg | Elevate leg Elevate leg **above your heart** when sitting above heart | above heart **4x/day** for 20-30 throughout the day Elevate your minutes Leg **Control Pain** П П П П П П П П П П П Wear during the day and remove at Check Skin Check Skin **Wear TED** Check Skin | Check Skin Check Skin | Check Skin Check Skin Check Skin | Check Skin night. Check skin daily to make sure **Stockings** you have not developed a sore Keep incision clean and dry. Remove your Aquacel dressing 10 days after surgery.OK to shower with this Call 734-936-5780 if you Drainage from incision | Incision is redder | Incision is hotter | Increased Pain | Care for your dressing on. Do not use ointments or Incision lotions. Do not take a bath. Fever over 101.5 degrees experience: Normal: Tenderness | Scabbing | Pink | Warm Not Normal:Pain |Drainage|Red|Hot| Fever $> 101.5 \deg$ Take a stool softener and laxative Stool softener Stool every day that you are taking pain **Avoid** □Laxative medications. □High fiber diet □High Constipation Eat a **high fiber** diet. □Drink fluids Drink plenty of **fluids** (water). Do 10 reps every hour 10 Reps Ankle Pumps every hour Walk Start with short distances to build up endurance | Try to increase Walk your walking time each day | Walk comfortably, don't limp and use your П П П assistive device

Who Do You Call?