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Carl C. Clements, 60 of Fort Meyers, FL at his wedding reception.

“The best part of having both of my knees replaced was being able to enjoy my dream wedding at 60 pain-free, just three months after surgery,” said Carl C. Clements of Fort Myers, Florida.

Carl’s knee problems began years ago with a torn meniscus, and his knees kept getting progressively worse. First, he began waking up in the morning with his right knee swollen and aching. As a trailer truck loader, his job consisted of jumping on and off the truck and it was becoming increasingly difficult and painful to do so.

At that time, Carl had accompanied his mother to her orthopaedic visits with Dr. Peter Curcione at the Athletic Orthopedic and Reconstructive Center in Lehigh Acres, FL. This gave him the opportunity to discuss the options available to finally relieve the pain in both of his knees.

Dr. Curcione immediately recommended that Carl get x-rays of his knees in order to determine his options. Upon receiving his x-ray results, Dr. Curcione confirmed that Carl had completely worn away the cartilage in both of his knees. They were “bone-on-bone” and causing his extreme pain. He was going to need total knee replacement surgery on both of his knees. Carl was a great candidate for knee replacement using VERASENSE.

VERASENSE utilizes advanced sensor technologies, much like those used in today’s smart phones and gaming systems, to help surgeons customize implant placement and improve soft tissue balance of the knee during a total knee replacement, with the goal of improving patient outcomes and satisfaction post-operatively.

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VERASENSE: IMPROVING KNEE BALANCE

“Soft tissue balance is vital to achieving a well-functioning knee after total knee replacement.” said Dr. Curcione. “VERASENSE helps me achieve better knee balance by providing me with objective, real-time data during surgery, resulting in a more normal feeling knee and a quicker return to an active lifestyle for my patients.”

Dr. Curcione scheduled Carl’s right knee to be replaced on April 1, 2014. “The surgery went well; I didn’t need my walker after three days. My first physical therapy appointment was scheduled a week after my right knee was replaced. I started with 95-degree flexibility on my knee. Two days later, 100 degrees. Three days after that, I had 120-degree flexibility, and I was walking with no pain,” said Carl.

On May 1, 2014, just one month after his right knee was replaced, Dr. Curcione scheduled the surgery for his left knee.

“This time, I walked into my physical therapy session five days after surgery, without a walker and had 95- degree range of motion on my left knee,” Carl said. “I now go to the gym – I feel great. I love bowling, which I can now do again. I’m also trying to get back to playing golf!”

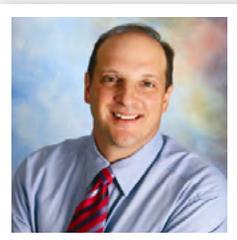
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THE VERASENSE DIFFERENCE

VERASENSE assists your surgeon with a challenging and extremely important aspect of knee replacement surgery: soft tissue balancing and implant positioning. With VERASENSE, surgeons can make calculated adjustments based on real-time information to help them improve the balance of your knee, with the goal of achieving better patient outcomes and satisfaction after total knee replacement.

VERASENSE does not change a surgeon’s surgical flow or influence the decision regarding which type of implant design is best. The procedure remains the same. When surgeons use this new technology, they can now make evidence-based decisions to better balance the knee for every patient.

Individual results may vary. In every case your physician and/or Orthopaedic surgeon must guide you on all aspects of your surgery, including pre-and post-operative care.



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