

Welcome to Dr. Swank's Clinic

To make your visit a better experience here's what you need to know!

1. Your appointment does not start at the physician-

Please allow time for a medical assistant to get your height/weight, ask a quick history, x-ray to get the required images, and all this information to be organized. After all of this is obtained, Dr. Swank will be in to do a full evaluation, go over a plan, and answer all your questions.

Overall, your time spent here at Beacon is estimated to be 60 minutes. *Please let the front desk know if this time frame does not work for you and we can reschedule you when it better fits your needs.*

2. You will be getting new x-rays today-

As a Joint replacement specialist, Dr. Swank needs specific views of the knee or hip joint that allow him to provide the best care for his patients.

3. Height and weight will be obtained-

This information is used to calculate your BMI. Dr. Swank operates at the surgery center right here at Beacon. The surgery center requires that your BMI is under 40 due to risk associated with anesthesia, transporting complications, and surgical limitations of our facility.

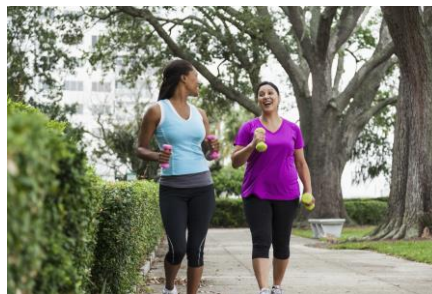
Is your BMI over 40? We have some options for you:

- You are welcome to still see Dr. Swank today and he can give you a recommendation/referral to see another replacement specialist at Beacon who can perform your surgery at a hospital
- We can reschedule you with another joint replacement surgeon who operates at the hospital of your choice.
- If you would like to work on lowering your BMI under 40 - we are happy to assist with this! We can schedule you an appointment with Dr. Goddard who will create a plan to lower your BMI while also making the joint pain tolerable enough until you achieve your weight loss goal.

Please let the front desk or the MA know immediately which of these options work best for you.

We strive to provide the best experience for our patients and want to make sure all your questions are answered and needs are met.

To contact **Dr. Swank's team directly call: 513-530-3027**



"Walk 30 minutes a day to stay independent, decrease pain & speedy recovery, get fit, Increase strength, avoid Alzheimer's. Join the revolution" ~Dr. Swank