

Total Knee Replacement Potential Risks V1.0

Significant, unavoidable or frequently occurring risks:

Common:

Pain
Bleeding
Haematoma (blood clot in the wound)
Deep vein thrombosis (blood clot in the deep veins of the legs)
Numbness around the scar

Less common:

Infection
Wound healing problems
Instability or dislocation
Altered leg length
Stiffness
Dissatisfaction

Rare:

Damage to nerves or blood vessels
Damage to bone or fracture
Failure of the operation or implant requiring reoperation
Heterotopic ossification (bone forming within the muscles around the knee)
Implant Wear
Implant Loosening
Revision surgery
Allergic reaction

General risks:

Chest infection
Urinary infection
Confusion
Constipation
Gastrointestinal bleeding
Respiratory problems
Pulmonary embolism (blood clot in the lungs)
COVID-19
Heart attack
Stroke
Death