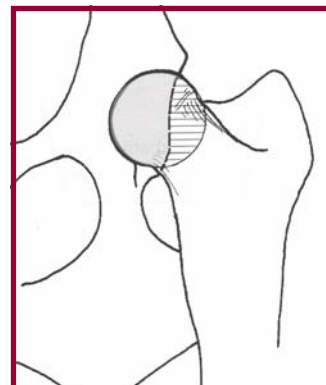




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HIPS • Excision Arthroplasty



NORMAL HIPS

Excellent joint congruency. Excellent acetabular coverage ($\geq 50\%$)



ABNORMAL HIPS

Advanced CHD with complete subluxation (dislocation) of the left hip.



EXCISION ARTHROPLASTY

(aka: Femoral Head & Neck Ostectomy or FHO)

This procedure is often advised for end-stage or severe CHD. In this procedure, the painful arthritic or dislocated hip joint is removed. Outcome and success of this procedure is largely dependent on rehabilitation.

Selection criteria for FHO include:

- 1) CHD with osteoarthritis refractory to medical management (wt. loss, NSAIDS, PSGAGS, etc.)
- 2) Progressive lameness and discomfort.
- 3) Motivated and dedicated owners that will follow through with all postoperative physical therapy requirements.
- 4) Poor total hip (THR) candidate and/or owners that are not interested the THR procedure.



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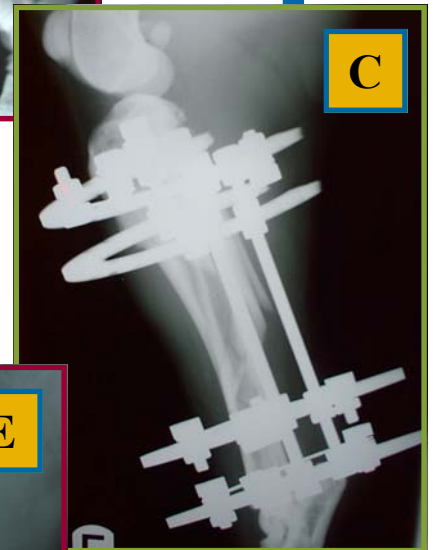
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EXCISION ARTHROPLASTY - SALVAGE PROCEDURE

FHO can also be used as treatment for severely fractured acetabular (hip socket) injuries. In the example depicted below (pictures A & B), this patient was hit by a car and sustained a severe injury to both the LEFT hip and the LEFT tibia. The acetabular fracture in the left hip joint was not repairable and a FHO was done. The tibia fracture was repaired with a circular fixator (picture C).

Four (4) months postoperatively (pictures D & E), the acetabular fractures have healed re-establishing a solid pelvic frame. Function in the hip joint was very good and the patient was walking comfortably. The tibia fractures have also healed and the circular fixator has been removed.



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