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Region's first computer-assisted osteotomy performed by Dr. Frank R. Noyes

Procedure corrects bow-leggedness, relieves pain

Cincinnati— Frank Noyes, M.D., orthopedic surgeon with Cincinnati SportsMedicine & Orthopaedic Center, recently performed the first computer-assisted osteotomy in Cincinnati at Jewish Hospital.

Osteotomy is a surgical procedure that corrects varus malalignment, more commonly known as bow-leggedness. Bow legs can cause pain to the inner portion of the knee because the forces from any weightbearing activity are unevenly placed across this area. Patients with bow legs need to undergo an osteotomy in order to correct the distribution of forces across the knee joint.

The computer-assisted surgery is performed using specially designed software and computers in the operating room. The computer assists the surgeon taking precise measurements of the patients bones and ligaments and creates 3-D models that allow the surgeon to better align the joints.

Dr. Noyes performed the first computer-assisted osteotomy in the Tri-state on October 15. "Osteotomy is a reliable method for correcting alignment problems in the knee. But if the knee joint isn't perfectly aligned during surgery, the patient can find themselves back in the operating room to have it re-done. These procedures require precision in millimeters and degrees and the computer assisted navigation allows us to be very precise in our placement. It is a major advance and for the patient, that means a more certain success," says Dr. Noyes.

Dr. Noyes, a board certified orthopaedic surgeon specializing in sports medicine and other orthopaedic problems, is an internationally recognized authority on the diagnosis and treatment of complex knee problems. He has pioneered operative procedures to correct lower leg alignment with the goal of adding years and years to knee joints and decreasing the chance for total knee replacement surgery.

Cincinnati SportsMedicine & Orthopaedic Center (CSMOC) is a nationally recognized center of excellence with six offices located throughout the Greater Cincinnati area. The physicians and staff at Cincinnati SportsMedicine and Orthopaedic Center have a long-standing commitment to patient care, research, and the education of medical professionals. CSMOC physicians have won nearly every prestigious national and international award in the field of orthopaedic research helping to develop significant breakthroughs in diagnosis, rehabilitation