Impactful Statements
Venous Thromboembolic Disease in Patients Undergoing Elective Hip and Knee Arthroplasty

An impactful recommendation is one that offers the potential for current evidence to change care offered to patients. This influence can be due to one or more of the following:

- Evidence highlighting current variations in care that were previously unsupported by evidence
- Current evidence supporting a significant difference or change from current clinical practice or previously held “gold standard” care

The following impactful statements are based on the Preventing Venous Thromboembolic Disease in Patients Undergoing Elective Hip and Knee Arthroplasty Clinical Practice Guideline:

1. Do not perform routine post-operative duplex ultrasonography in patients who undergo elective hip or knee arthroplasty.

The following guideline recommendations are the basis of the impactful statements:

1. We recommend against routine post-operative duplex ultrasonography screening in patients who undergo elective hip or knee arthroplasty.