## Share Your **Experience**

# If you wish to provide feedback, please do so below and give to a **Patient Service Representative.** We welcome your comments.

## How Oberd Helps

Medical organizations then use outcome data to improve medical practice through evidence-based research.

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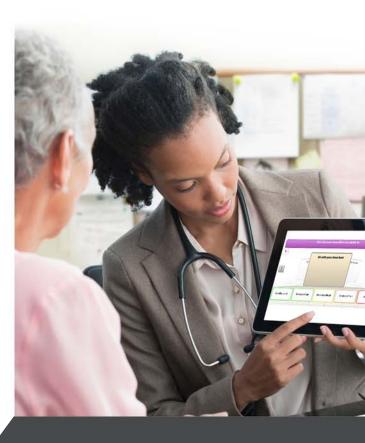


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OUTCOMES BASED ELECTRONIC RESEARCH DATABASE



Your questions answered about the use of OBERD at

UBMD Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine



## What Is Oberd?

OBERD is a database that provides electronic outcome forms to our patients. Outcome forms help physicians track patients' wellness over the course of treatment so that they can make the best decisions for each patients' recovery.

## YOUR INFORMATION

It is important that YOU describe your current condition with your UBMD Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine (UBMD Ortho) care team. We collect this information in the form of questionnaires.

## FOR YOUR DOCTOR

These questionnaires are assigned by your doctor. Your answers to these questionnaires provide your doctor with the information they need to improve your care.

#### IN ELECTRONIC FORM

Historically they were in paper & pencil questionnaire format. Today, we use a web-based software that allows UBMD Ortho care teams to offer you a quicker and more efficient way to answer your questionnaires: electronically. You may even complete them in the privacy of your own home one week before your scheduled appointment. Just provide your email address to any one of our staff members.



## Frequently Asked Questions



# Why am I being asked to complete the same questionnaires I did at my last appointment?

Each follow-up appointment marks a different time point in your recovery. Although questions are the same, your answers may be very different because time has lapsed since you began your treatment and/or surgery. These repeated questions allow your doctor to better determine how well he/she is taking care of you, and how well you are progressing in your recovery.

# Why are the same questions repeated on multiple questionnaires?

Although this may seem repetitive, each completed questionnaire provides a different score for a unique reason related to your health or condition. We decrease repetitive questions whenever possible.

# Can I still complete the questionnaires using paper and pencil?

We do not offer paper surveys now. Research has shown that using a web-based program such as OBERD reduces errors in data collection and decreases the time it takes to complete the same surveys on paper.





## Will my information remain confidential?

Yes. The OBERD software encrypts all data once it is entered into the OBERD system, keeping all your health information protected.

# Are the questionnaires considered research?

The questionnaires assigned by your doctor are **NOT** research. The purpose of the surveys is to track your progress.

## Why does this survey ask about my mental health?

In order for us to properly assess your overall health and wellbeing, it is important for your provider to understand how your physical condition effects your feelings and helps to monitor your treatment progress. Your responses to these questions are not used as a mental health diagnosis and always remain confidential.

# How do I complete the questionnaire at home?

Prior to your next appointment, you will receive a link to the questionnaire via email, if your email address is on file.

## Why should I complete the questionnaire?

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