

Osteonecrosis (AVN) of the Femoral Head

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PEER LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Missed AVN can lead to end stage arthritis and hip replacement even in young patients.







Important to assess if bilateral.



PRACTICAL INSIGHTS

- Lack of collapse, arthritis or fracture are candidates for hip saving therapy.
- Can present as hip or groin pain and limited range of motion.
- Risk factors include high dose corticosteroid, trauma (hip dislocation), sickle cell disease, lupus, radiation, alcohol abuse and pancreatitis.



ASYMPTOMATIC CONTRALATERAL HIPS CAN BECOME SYMPTOMATIC.

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