

Total Hip Replacement Information Cards

Print out the cards. Cut them apart along the solid black lines, fold in half along the dotted lines, and carry in your wallet or purse, to hand out as needed!

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