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Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (Acute Rehabilitation): Degenerative Joint Disease

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Clinical Indications for Admission to Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (Acute Rehabilitation)

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- **Inpatient rehabilitation facility** (acute rehabilitation) admission may be indicated by **ALL** of the following(1)(2)(3):
 - No acute hospital care needs
 - Severe osteoarthritis and **ALL** of the following^[A](1):
 - Involvement of 2 or more non-prosthetic weight-bearing joints (elbows, shoulders, hips, knees)
 - Joint deformity
 - Range-of-motion substantial loss
 - Muscle atrophy around joint
 - Patient had **1 or more** of the following:
 - Disease activation immediately preceding admission
 - Less-intensive rehabilitation attempted and did not improve condition^[B]
 - Significant functional impairment of ambulation