

Orthogeriatrics; A growing field

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ABSTRACT

With the graying of the population worldwide, the prevalence of comorbid conditions and frailty is high among elderly patients with orthopedic disorders especially hip fracture. They are at high risk of developing complications, suffering from functional decline or needing long-term care, and even dying. Therefore, despite successful surgical treatment, hip fractures pose a significant burden of illness for the affected patient as well as for the healthcare system. Orthogeriatric care is medical care for older patients

with orthopaedic disorders, which is provided collaboratively by Orthopaedic and Geriatric services. The coordinated multidisciplinary care has a wide influence on improved outcome in fragility fracture patients either on patient recovery or health care system resources.