ARTHROSCOPY OF THE KNEE



Overview

Arthroscopy of the knee is the same as "keyhole surgery" of the knee. It is just the technique used to perform surgery, whatever the surgeon wants to accomplish, without making a large incision.

The standard incisions for arthroscopic surgery in the knee are about 1cm (1/2 inch) long on either side of the lower end of the patella. The camera goes in through one incision, and the tools the surgeon is using through the other.

Sometimes other incisions, large and small are required to complete the surgery. The options are large so it is impossible to give all these in one page.

The common types of surgery performed this way include, meniscal repair and removal; ACL repair; removal of loose bodies, and so on.

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