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The developed model has been tested by the 12 participating Regions and by the Livio Sciutto Foundation (Fig. 1). Questionnaire to measure quality of life has been introduced in subsets of patient in the Apulia region. The registry project is coordinated by ISS in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the National Medical Commission on Medical Devices, the Italian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, the Regions, the manufacturers’ (Assobiomedica) and the patient’s association (Apmar). All the participating stakeholders are represented in the project scientific technical committee, appointed on May 28, 2008, by the President of the ISS.

Objectives

Aim of the Riap is to contribute to protecting citizens health, improving quality of care and rationalizing health care costs by creating, at a national level, a valuable instrument to:

- support the surveillance and vigilance of the medical devices market by maintaining under constant control the use of joint replacements;
- monitor joint replacements outcomes;
- interact with Registries active in other countries.

Joint Replacement in Italy

In Italy, approximately 160,000 joint replacement are performed every year with an average annual increase, measured over the last ten years, of about 4%. The greatest number of interventions was recorded for hip replacements followed by those for knee replacements (Fig. 2).

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