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Michael Chmell, MD receives 5-Star Quality Rating from Consumers' Checkbook/ Center for the Studies of Services

ROCKFORD, IL April 4, 2017 ... **Michael J. Chmell, MD** received a 5-Star Rating for total knee replacement surgery from an organization comparing data collected by the U.S. government on medical cases over a five-year period. Consumers' Checkbook / Center for the Study of Services assesses this quality measurement data and publishes results for surgeons performing 12 types of major surgery on its website.

A five-star rating indicates that the surgeon has met specific criteria and his/her outcome rates were among the best 1/5th of all surgeons studied. The organization has been performing similar comparisons of hospitals for many years but only recently gained access to this quality measurement data on individual physicians.

As a Board-certified surgeon Dr. Chmell's practice at OrthoIllinois is focused on primary and revision knee replacement, including the advanced knee replacement as an outpatient procedure. He was fellowship-trained at Harvard University through Brigham and Women's Hospital and is now actively involved in continuing education as Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois College of Medicine. Dr. Chmell serves as Medical Director of OrthoIllinois Surgery Center and continues to participate in research and clinical outcome studies.

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