Entered orthopaedic waiting list: 877

Unable to contact: 66

Able to be contacted: 811

Ineligible:
- 288 language difficulties
- 33 not waiting for primary THR/TKR at study hospital
- 15 severe illness precluding participation
- 5 surgery <30 days
- 5 did not meet age requirements
- 3 diagnosis known to be other than arthritis
- 2 overseas
- 1 cognitive impairment

Eligible: 459

Declined to participate: 73
Did not return baseline questionnaire: 58
Returned baseline questionnaire: 328

Allocated preadmission and/or surgery dates: 172

Missed follow-up due to staff absence or database setup: 20
Did not return preadmission questionnaire: 18
Returned preadmission questionnaire and available for analysis: 134

115 remained on waiting list
15 recruited into other studies
15 received surgery elsewhere
8 no longer on waiting list
2 revoked consent
1 died

Returned preadmission questionnaire and available for analysis: 134