

DIAGNOSE EARLY TREAT APPROPRIATELY

A Clinical Care Pathway Developed by a Multispecialty Panel Using the RAND/UCLA Appropriateness Method¹

The RAND™/UCLA Appropriateness Method (RAM), developed by a multispecialty expert panel, helped establish a clinical care pathway for patients with vertebral compression fractures (VCF), including:

- Key signs and symptoms of suspected VCF
- Diagnostic evaluation of patients with suspected VCF
- Appropriateness criteria for vertebral augmentation (VA) or nonsurgical management (NSM)
- Contraindications for VA
- Follow-up after treatment

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BKP is a minimally invasive procedure for the treatment of pathological fractures of the vertebral body due to osteoporosis, cancer, or benign lesion. The complication rate with BKP has been demonstrated to be low. There are risks associated with the procedure (e.g., cement extravasation), including serious complications, and though rare, some of which may be fatal. Risks of acrylic bone cements include cement leakage, which may cause tissue damage, nerve or circulatory problems, and other serious adverse events, such as: cardiac arrest, cerebrovascular accident, myocardial infarction, pulmonary embolism, or cardiac embolism. For complete information regarding indications for use, contraindications, warnings, precautions, adverse events, and methods of use, please reference the devices' Instructions for Use included with the product.

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