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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study evaluated the importance on clinical outcome of compliance with follow-up visits after TJA It's properly conducted and deals with an interesting topic. The text is properly written in all sections. I have only minor revision: ABSTRACT - Replace total joint replacement with total joint arthroplasty, since you used TJA as an abbreviation - Remove the significance level from this section RESULTS - Express the duration of follow-up in months rather than in years



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Congratulations on a well written and researched study. This is an ongoing problem in monitoring total joint outcomes, but highlights 2 facts. One, that patients are generally doing quite well despite noncompliance with follow up recommendations. And two, a need for electronic monitoring of patient outcomes in a manner that may preclude office visitations. The data support the conclusions and the bibliography is appropriate and complete.



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Please make the table clearer - are the p values given with a range of values? Confidence intervals would be better. It should be 'with regard to' and not 'regards'