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Fueled by a growing number of studies reporting inverse relationships between hospital volume and surgical mortality, 1-3 there was considerable interest in the United States during the previous ...Surgical care is an integral part of health care throughout the world, with an estimated 234 million operations performed annually. 1 This yearly volume now exceeds that of childbirth. 2 Surgery ...Dr. James MacDonald joined the physician team at The Orthopaedic & Sports Medicine Center in August 2004. He has a fellowship in arthroplasty (total joint replacement) from the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. Dr. MacDonald studied for his medical degree at the Georgetown University School of Medicine in Washington D.C. in 1998. Importance Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) and pill mill laws are among the principal means states use to reduce prescription drug abuse and diversion, yet little high-quality evidence exists regarding their effect.. Objective To quantify the effect of Florida's PDMP and pill mill laws on overall and high-risk opioid prescribing and use.