

# Successful outcomes for most failed rotator cuff repairs

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(HealthDay)—More than half of patients with failed rotator cuff repair have successful outcomes, and the presence of retear negatively affects clinical outcomes, according to two studies published in the Jan. 15 issue of *The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery*.

Surena Namdari, M.D., from the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, and colleagues describe outcomes for 61 [patients](#) with failure of structural integrity after rotator cuff surgical repair. A total of 54.1 percent of patients had successful outcomes (American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons [ASES] score  $\geq 80$ ) and 45.9 percent had unsuccessful outcomes (ASES score

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