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Legend: Single level lumbar fusion of patients with DDD (degenerative disc disease without stenosis)

Pedicle inst. = standard screw instrumentation.

Facet inst. = minimally invasive instrumentation.

VAS = visual analog pain scale (0 = no pain to 10 = worst possible pain)

ODI = Oswestry Disability Index (0 = no disability to high score = severely disabled)





