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Physical Therapy Prescription Tibial Tubercle Osteotomy

Patient Name:

Today's Date:

Surgery Date:

Dx: s/p (LEFT / RIGHT) PATELLAR REALIGNMENT + or - MPFL-R

Procedure: TIBIAL TUBERCLE OSTEOTOMY with or without MPFL-R

WEEK 1

- Full Extension in brace locked @ 0 degrees
- Ambulate TTWB with crutches; brace locked @ 0 degrees
- Dressing change
- Cryotherapy prn
- Passive ROM 0 – 30 degrees
- SLR in brace

WEEK 2-6

- Goal of ROM to 0 – 120 degrees at end of 6 weeks
- Ambulate WBAT in Post Op Brace locked @ 0 degrees after 3 weeks. Use crutches based on pain, progress as pain allows over 4 weeks
- Passive ROM 0 – 120 degrees (Active Flexion / Passive Extension) NO ACTIVE RESISTED EXTENSION
- Straight Leg Raises (in brace) / Quad Sets
- SL balance on stable surface at 4 weeks. May do multi-directional weight shifts
- Stationary Bike – OK out of brace (low ROM, raised seat, NO RESISTANCE)
- Biofeedback Unit (E-stim to Quads may be used if Biofeedback not available)
- Core and hip stability

WEEK 6-12

- WBAT, Advance assistive device as tolerated – Crutches > Cane > None
- Discontinue use of brace
- Continue Stationary Bike
- Begin CKC strengthening progressing to full arc as tolerated. Focus posterior chain.
- Proprioception exercises on unstable surface with perturbations
- Continue to progress hip and core stability program
- Begin sagittal plane strength and motions (Lateral walks, monster walks, side steps with cable, etc.)

WEEK 12-18

- May begin in-line jogging program if quad strength is symmetric on eccentric step-down test
- Continue LE CKC strengthening progressing to multi-planar movements as tolerated
- No plyometrics or sport specific cutting drills until 4.5 months post op
- Continue with CKC strength focused on posterior chain
- Assess posture and functional movement patterns. Corrective exercise as needed.
- Begin frontal and sagittal plane agility drills
- Continue core and hip stability progressing to multi-planar movements



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WEEK 18+

- Progress running program to straight line sprinting
- Introduce cutting drills with 3 planes of motion (pivoting okay)
- Olympic lifting and triple extension exercise okay
- Continue progression of all exercises above

Frequency & Duration: (circle one) 1-2 2-3 x/week for ____ weeks

**Please send progress notes.

Physician's Signature: _____ **M.D.**