

Post-Operative Rehabilitation for De Novo Femoral Condyle

Phase I: Weeks 0-6

- Non Weight Bearing
- Brace: (If applicable) Locked in full extension at all times including sleep. May remove for CPM and shower. Discontinue after 2 weeks.
- ROM:
 - o Goal is symmetric extension (including hyperextension)
 - o CPM for 6hr/day 0-40°. Advance 5-10° as tolerated daily.
- Exercises
 - Weeks 0-2: Quad sets, SLR in brace, ankle pumps, heel props, passive leg hangs/flexion to 90°, calf stretching
 - Weeks 2-6: PROM/AAROM to tolerance, patellar mobs, quad/hamstring sets, glute sets, SLR, side lying hip/core

Phase II: Weeks 6-8

- Weight bearing: Advance 25% weekly until full
- ROM:
 - Maintain symmetric extension
 - Progress flexion to full
- Exercises:
 - o Progress Phase I exercises

Phase III: 8-12 weeks

- Weight bearing: Full
- Maintain full ROM
- Exercises:
 - o Begin closed chain exercises
 - Maintain core/glute/hip strength
 - o Begin balance training
 - o Gait training

Phase IV: 12 weeks- 6 months

• Maintain full ROM

• Exercises:

- o Advance Phase III exercises including eccentric hamstrings
- O Continue to maintain core/hip/glute strength
- o Progress strength/flexibility and functional balance
- o Stationary bike, may add elliptical and pool as tolerated

Phase V: 6-12 mo.:

- Exercises:
 - o Progress strength and functional activity
 - Return to sport specific activity and impact when CLEARED BY MD after 8 months.