

# Post-Operative Rehabilitation for Osteochondral Allograft with High Tibial Osteotomy

### Phase I: Weeks 0-2

- Heel Touch Weight Bearing in Brace
- Brace
  - Locked in full extension at all times including sleep. May remove for exercises and shower.
- ROM:
  - o Goal is symmetric extension (including hyperextension)
  - o Gentle Passive motion 0-90°.
  - o CPM for 6hr/day 0-40° and advance as tolerated 5-10° daily.
- Exercises
  - o Heel slides, quad sets, SLR, Ankle pumps, patellar mobs, heel props

## Phase II: Weeks 2-8

- Weight bearing:
  - o Weeks 2-6: Heel touch only
  - o Weeks 6-8: Advance 25% weekly until full
- Brace
  - **Weeks 2-8:** Locked 0-90°
  - o Discontinue at 6 weeks
- ROM:
  - Maintain symmetric extension
  - o Progress flexion as tolerated
  - o Continue with CPM 6hrs/day 0-90°
- Exercises:
  - o Weeks 2-6: Add side lying hip/core exercise, progress quad sets, SLR, stretching
  - Weeks 6-8: Add closed chain, heel raises, and eccentric hamstrings. Progress Core/hip exercise. Begin gait training.

#### Phase III: 8-12 weeks

- Maintain full ROM
- Exercises:

- o Progress closed chain exercises, Lunges/leg press 0-90° ONLY
- o Maintain core/glute/hip strength
- o Begin balance training
- o Gait training PRN
- o Begin stationary bike

## Phase IV: 12-24 weeks

- Maintain full ROM
- Exercises:
  - o Advance Phase III exercises
  - O Continue to maintain core/hip/glute strength
  - o Progress strength and functional balance

## Phase V: 6-9 mo.

- Exercises:
  - o Progress strength and functional activity
  - Return to impact/running and sport specific activity ONLY AFTER CLEARED BY MD