



Meniscal Root Repair

Post-Operative Rehabilitation Protocol

0-6 Weeks:

- TDWB in brace in extension with crutches
- Brace in extension for sleeping 0-2 weeks
- Active/Passive ROM 0-90°
- Quad sets, SLR, Heel slides
- Patellar mobilization
- May unlock brace at 4 weeks

6-8 Weeks:

- Advance to WBAT with brace unlocked
- Progress with ROM until full
- No weight bearing with knee flexion past 90°
- D/C TROM brace when quad strength adequate (typically around 6 weeks)
- Transition to unloader brace for weight bearing activities
- D/C crutches when gait normalized
- Wall sits to 90°

8-12 Weeks:

- WBAT with unloader brace
- Full ROM
- Progress with closed chain exercises
- Lunges from 0-90°
- Leg press 0-90°
- Proprioception exercises
- Begin Stationary Bike

12-16 Weeks:

- Progress strengthening exercises
- Single leg strengthening
- Begin jogging and progress to running
 - **Plyo Prep Screen when initiating running and/or jumping. Schedule via QR code or email spc@rushortho.com
- Sports specific exercise
 - **Lower Body Assessment when initiating return to activity progression. Schedule via QR code or email spc@rushortho.com



UNLOADER BRACE WILL BE WORN 1 YEAR POST OP WITH WEIGHT BEARING ACTIVITIES