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Osteochondral Allograft Transplantation Rehab Protocol

	Weight Bearing	Brace	Range of Motion	Exercises
Phase I	0-6 weeks: Heel	0-2 weeks: Locked in full	0-2 weeks: Gentle	0-2 weeks: Quad sets, SLR, calf
0-8 weeks	touch only	extension at all times*	passive 0-45 as tolerated	pumps, passive leg hangs to 45° at
		Off for CPM, hygiene, and		home
	6-8 weeks:	exercises only	2 weeks+: advance as	2-6 weeks: PROM/AAROM to
	Advance 25%		tolerated	tolerance, patella and tibiofibular
	weekly until full	2-4 weeks: Unlocked 0-		joint mobs, quad, hamstring, and
		45°; worn daytime only	0-6 weeks : use CPM 6	glute sets/stretching, side-lying hip
			hours/day, advance 5-	and core
		4-6 weeks: Unlocked 0-	10 degrees/day as	6-8 weeks: Addition of heel raises,
		90°; worn daytime only	tolerated, d/c at 6wks	closed chain exercises, gait
		Discontinue after 6-8	Goals:	normalization, eccentric quads,
		weeks when WB	0-2 weeks: 0-30°	eccentric hamstrings; advance core,
		comfortably	2-4 weeks: 0-60°	glutes and pelvic stability
			4-6 weeks: 0-90°	
Phase II	Full	None	Full	Progress closed chain activities and
8-12				gait training
weeks				
				Begin unilateral stance activities,
				balance training, hamstring work,
				hip/core/glutes
				Begin stationary bike at 10 wks with
				low resistance as tolerated
Phase III	Full	None	Full	Maximize core/glutes, pelvic
12-24				stability work, eccentric
weeks				hamstrings, balance
				Swimming as tolerated after 12
				weeks
				Elliptical as tolerated after 16
				weeks
Phase IV	Full	None	Full	Advance functional activity without
6-12				impact
months				
				Return to sport-specific activity and
				impact when cleared by MD after
				6-8 months

*Brace may be removed at night after first postoperative visit (day 10-14) if directed

**No change to protocol if alignment correction (e.g., HTO, DFO, TTO) is performed concomitantly