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# Rehab Protocol for Arthroscopic Gluteus Medius Repair

Provide patient with home exercise program

### Weeks 1-4

- Bike for 20 minutes/day (can be 2x/day)
- Scar massage
- Gait training PWB with assistive device
- Hip PROM
  - o Hip flexion to 90 degrees, abduction as tolerated
  - o No active abduction and IR
  - o No passive ER or adduction (6 weeks)
- Quadruped rocking for hip flexion
- Hip isometrics
  - o Extension, adduction, ER at 2 weeks
  - o Hamstring isotonics
  - o Pelvic tilts
  - o NMES to quads with SAQ

# Weeks 4-6

- Continue with previous therapy
- Gait training PWB with assistive device
  - o 20 pounds through 6 weeks
- Progress with passive hip flexion greater than 90 degrees
- Supine bridges
- Isotonic adduction
- Progress core strengthening (avoid hip flexor tendonitis)
- Progress with hip strengthening
  - o Start isometric sub max pain free hip flexion(3-4 wks)
- Quadriceps strengthening
- Aqua therapy in low end of water

#### Weeks 6-8

- Continue with previous therapy
- Gait training: increase WBing to 100% by 8 weeks with crutches
- Progress with ROM
  - o Passive hip ER/IR
- Supine log rolling <sup>−</sup> Stool rotation □ Standing on BAPS
- Hip Joint mobs with mobilization belt (if needed)
- Lateral and inferior with rotation
  - o Prone posterior-anterior glides with rotation
- Progress core strengthening (avoid hip flexor tendonitis

## Weeks 8-10

• Continue previous therapy

- Wean off crutches  $(2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0)$
- Progressive hip RO
- Progress strengthening LE
- Hip isometrics for abduction and progress to isotonics
- Leg press (bilateral LE)
- Isokinetics: knee flexion/extension
- Progress core strengthening
- Begin proprioception/balance
- Balance board and single leg stance
- Bilateral cable column rotations
- Elliptical

## Weeks 10-12

- Continue with previous therex
- Progressive hip ROM
- Progressive LE and core strengthening
- Hip PREs and hip machine
- Unilateral Leg press
- Unilateral cable column rotations
- Hip Hiking
- Step downs
- Hip flexor, glute/piriformis, and It-band Stretching manual and self
- Progress balance and proprioception
  - o Bilateral → Unilateral → foam → dynadisc
  - o Treadmill side stepping from level surface holding on progressing to inclines
  - o Side stepping with theraband
- Hip hiking on stairmaster (week 12)

# >12 weeks

- Progressive hip ROM and stretching
- Progressive LE and core strengthening
- Endurance activities around the hip
- Dynamic balance activities
- Treadmill running program
- Sport specific agility drills and plyometrics

# Other:

- Modalities
  - o Electric Stimulation Ultrasound Heat before/after Ice before/after