

## Partial Meniscectomy / Debridement Rehabilitation Protocol

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PT Frequency: 2-4 times per week ROM Restrictions: No restrictions Brace: None Weightbearing: WBAT

## Phase I: Weeks 1-2

- 1. Weight bearing as tolerated without assist by 48 hours post-op
- 2. **ROM Goals:** progress through passive, active and resisted ROM as tolerated
  - a. Full extension by 2 weeks,  $130^{\circ}$  of flexion by 6 weeks
- 3. Patellar mobilization daily
- 4. Strengthening: quad sets, SLRs, heel slides, etc.
  - a. No restrictions to ankle/hip strengthening

## Phase II: Weeks 2-6

- 1. ROM Goals: continue with daily ROM exercises; increased ROM at tolerated
- 2. **Strengthening:** increase closed chain activities to full motion arc, add pulley weights/therabands, etc.
  - a. **Progress to:** wall sits, lunges, balance ball, leg curls, leg press, plyometrics, squats, core strengthening
  - b. Monitor for anterior knee pain symptoms.
- 3. Continue stationary bike and biking outdoors for ROM, strengthening, and cardio.