

## REHAB PROTOCOLS

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## MEDIAL PATELLOFEMORAL LIGAMENT RECONSTRUCTION / REPAIR - FOWLER

Phase I: 0-4 weeks	Phase II: 4-6 weeks	Phase III: 6-12 weeks+
<b>ROM:</b> wk 0-1: 0 wk 1-3: 0-90	<b>ROM:</b> wk 4-5: 0-110	ROM: wk 6-8: Full
wk 3-4: 0-100	wk 5-6: 0-120	110
	D/C brace	
WB: Brace locked for ambulation.	WB: wk 4-6: 100% with crutches	WB: Full with no limitations
2-4 wks unlock brace for WB	D/C crutches depending	
depending on quad control	on quadriceps control	
wk 0-1: TTWB wk 1-2: 25%	·	
wk 2-3: 50% wk 3-4: 75%		
Modalities: Cryotherapy 4x/day	Modalities: Cryotherapy	Modalities: Cryotherapy
IFC for pain/effusion	IFC for pain/effusion	NMES quadriceps
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RX: Recommendations:	RX: Recommendations:	<b>RX:</b> Recommendations:
Sapega-McClure technique:	Sapega-McClure technique:	Sapega-McClure technique as
1. Active warm-up: Bike per ROM	1. Active warm-up: Bike per ROM	needed (see previous)
2. Heat in stretch: Prone hang	5 wks add resistance to	
1 <sup>st</sup> TERT	bike, Elliptical	Bike, Elliptical Runner,
TERT= Total End Range Time	2. Heat in stretch: 2 <sup>nd</sup> TERT	Stairmaster
3. Mobilizations / ROM:	3. Mobilizations / ROM:	Flexibility exercises
PF mobs– avoid lateral glides	PF mobs– avoid lateral glides	Biofeedback
Scar tissue massage	Scar tissue massage	Total Leg Strengthening
4. Therapeutic exercises:	4. Therapeutic exercises:	Hip strengthening Heel raises
Flexibility exercises:	Flexibility exercises: Hams,	
Hams, Gastroc-soleus, Hip Biofeedback QS w/ adductor	Gastroc-soleus, Hip, Quads Biofeedback QS w/ adductor	Hamstrings isotonics 6 wks quad isotonics 0-45
squeeze, SLR	squeeze, SLR, CKC knee ext,	8 wks quad isotonics 0-40
M <i hamstrings="" per="" quad="" rom<="" td=""><td>minisquats, wall slide</td><td>Isokinetic quad/hams in ROM</td></i>	minisquats, wall slide	Isokinetic quad/hams in ROM
Short arc quadriceps per ROM	Short arc quads/hams in ROM	without chondrosis
if no chondrosis	without chondrosis	CKC exercises- leg press,
Hamstring isotonics per ROM	Total leg strengthening	step-ups, lunges, squats
Hip 4 way SLR	Hamstring isotonics	Balance/proprioception
Gastroc strengthening per WB	6 wks sub-max OKC quads 0-45	CV conditioning, Core stability
CKC leg press starting at 2	w/ gradually increasing resistance	g, cere ctaring,
weeks per ROM and WB	Hip 4 way SLR	12 weeks Add impact activities
Balance/proprioception	Heel raises	if 75% strength
exercises per WB	CKC exercises- leg press,	Testing: 12 wks Linea
'	step-ups, partial lunges,	16 wks Linea, Biodex
CV conditioning, Core stability,	squats 0-90	18-24 wks Linea,
Upper body exercises	Balance/proprioception	Biodex, FXN tests
-		Return to Work/Sport
5. Ice in stretch: 2 <sup>nd</sup> TERT	CV conditioning, Core stability,	No pain or effusion
6. HEP for 3 <sup>rd</sup> TERT	Upper body exercises	Full ROM
	- I cond	Isokinetic Strength- 90%
	5. Ice in stretch: 2 <sup>nd</sup> TERT	Functional Tests – 90%
	6. HEP for 3 <sup>rd</sup> TERT	MD approval
		Return to sports 4-6 months