

## Rehabilitation Protocol: Knee Arthroscopy and Synovectomy

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Surgery: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phase I (Weeks 0-2)**

- **Weightbearing:** As tolerated with crutches (for balance) x 24-48 hours – progress to WBAT
- **Range of Motion** – AAROM → AROM as tolerated
  - Goal: Immediate full range of motion
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
  - Quad and Hamstring sets
  - Heel slides
  - Co-contractions
  - Isometric adduction and abduction exercises
  - Straight-leg raises
  - Patellar mobilization

**Phase II (Weeks 2-4)**

- **Weightbearing:** As tolerated
- **Range of Motion** – maintain full ROM – gentle passive stretching at end ranges
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
  - Quadriceps and Hamstring strengthening
  - Lunges
  - Wall-sits
  - Balance exercises – Core work

**Phase III (Weeks 4-6)**

- **Weightbearing:** Full weightbearing
- **Range of Motion** – Full/Painless ROM
- **Therapeutic Exercises**
  - Leg press
  - Hamstring curls
  - Squats
  - Plyometric exercises
  - Endurance work
  - Return to athletic activity as tolerated

Comments:

Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_ times per week

Duration: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_