

# Robert Kollmorgen DO

### FASCIOTOMY FOR CHRONIC COMPARTMENT SYNDROME

February 2017

## Post-op Days 1 - 14

Crutches - non weight bearing (NWB) x 4wks

AROM hip and knee

Wiggle toes, gentle ankle AROM DF/PF as tolerated

Straight legraise (SLR) x 4

Upper body exercises (seated or bench only – no pushups)

LE stretches - Hamstring, quads, ITB, Hip flexors

Ice and Elevation

TED hose

### Goals

Pain management

Prevent swelling

## Week 2- 4

Crutches - NWB x 4wks

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Calf pumping, alphabet, rotations

Gentle DF stretch w/ towel

Light Theraband ex x 4

Towel crunches and side-to-side

Seated BAPS

Stationary bike (no resistance)

Leg Press < 25% body weight and painfree

Calf Press < 25% body weight and painfree

Ice as needed

Compression stocking if persistent swelling

### Goals

DF/PF AROM WNL

## Weeks 4 - 6

Crutches- WBAT (d/c when gait WNL)

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Scar massage (if incision well healed)

Theraband ex x 4 – Gradually increase resistance

Steamboats (Theraband x 4 while standing on involved LE)

Mini-squats, Wall squats, Total gym

Double leg heel raises – Progress to single leg heel raises

Double to single leg BAPS, ball toss, and body blade

Treadmill – Walking forwards and backwards

Elliptical trainer

Pool therapy – Chest or shoulder deep water running (optional)



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### Goals

10 single leg heel raises

Normal walking gait on level surfaces x 1 mile

## Weeks 6 - 12

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Progressive strengthening program

- -Leg press and hip weight machine
- -Knee extension and HS curl weight machines
- -Fitter, slide board
- -Push-up progression
- -Sit-up progression

Progressive low impact cardio program

- -Treadmill Walking progression program
- -Stairmaster
- -Pool therapy Unrestricted

## Goals

45 minutes low impact cardio 5x per week

Strength via weight machines 90% of non involved

Walk 2 miles at 15 min/mile pace with min symptoms

### Weeks 12-16

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Running progression program when following criteria met

- -3 x 20 heel raises and LE strength 90% of contra-lateral
- -painfree 2 mile walk at 15min/mile pace
- -no post exercise swelling

Agility drills / Plyometrics

Transition to home / gym program

## Goals

Run 1 mile at 12 min/mile pace with min symptoms at 3 months

Return to sports at 4 months post-op