Hip Arthroscopy with Labral Repair and Capsular Reconstruction Protocol

Phase/ Goals	Immobilization	ROM	Therapeutic Exercises
 Phase 1 (0-2 weeks) Goals: Protect Repair Minimize pain and swelling Begin PT 3-4 days after surgery Work on normalizing gait 	Crutch use 50% partial weightbearing for 4 weeks	 NO HIP EXTENSION BEYOND NEUTRAL Limit hip flexion to 90 degrees Avoid excessive internal and external rotation Modalities: Compression Edema control Avoid sleeping directly on hip Sleep with pillow between legs Ice multiple times per day 	 Quad, glute, hamstring sets, adductor and abductor isometrics Gentle Hip joint mobilization Heel slides Pelvic tilts Double legged supine bridge
 Phase 2 (2-6 weeks) Goals: Protect repair Increase ROM Transition off crutches starting week 4 Normalize gait Progressive increase of muscle strength 	 Wean crutches starting at week 4 Start with single crutch on opposite side from operative Transition off crutches when comfortable and no limp May need crutches with longer distances 	 Progressive hip ROM No external rotation > 20 degrees No hip flexion >105 degrees Modalities: Gentle Massage Ice multiple times per day 	 Deep tissue mobilization hip, pelvis, and spine Progress core strengthening Hip flexor activation (but minimal active/resisted hip flexion) Clam shells Single-leg bridges Leg press with minimal resistance ¼ mini squats (after full weightbearing) Quadruped superman Standing 4-way hip with low resistance Aqua therapy, if available, once portals heal

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Goals: • Protect Repair • Normalize motion, strength, and gait • Improve endurance and conditioning • Improve balance and proprioception	Completely wean off crutches if not done already	 No more range-of-motion restrictions Focus on symmetry compared to unaffected side Stationary bike – lower seat to allow increased hip flexion 	 Continue joint mobilization Increase resistance with active exercises Clamshells with theraband Sidelying planks Physioball hamstring Side-stepping with resistance Lunges Neuromuscular training to include core stabilization, single leg squats, and side-steps Begin elliptical and treadmill with minimal resistance and speed
 Phase 4 (13-18 weeks) Goals: Full active and passive hip ROM Normalize function Begin sport specific training Prepare for return to activity 	Full ambulation without	 Full active and passive ROM Focus on hip strengthening	 Continue as above Introduce low-impact plyometrics Increase resistance and duration on bike
	crutchees	and proprioceptive training	and elliptical Swimming as tolerated Sport specific agility drills Traditional weight-training Start running progression

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Requirements for full return to sports and activities:

- Full pain-free range of motion symmetrical to opposite side
- Symmetric hip strength
- Stable pelvis with activities
- Ability to perform sport-specific drill at full speed without pain