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Partial Hamstring Tendon Repair Protocol

Phase/ Goals	Immobilization	ROM	Therapeutic Exercises
Phase 1 (0-2 weeks) Goals: Protect repair Decrease swelling Emphasis on weightbearing restrictions	Touch-down 25% weightbearing with crutches	 No active knee flexion or hip extension Passive hip flexion to 60 degrees when knee flexed AVOID simultaneous knee extension/hip flexion Modalities: Compression/ Ice 	 Quad isometrics/quad sets Ankle pumps Core/abdominal isometrics Crutch work/weightbearing compliance
Phase 2 (2-6 weeks) Goals: Control pain/inflammation Promote healing Begin gentle scar massage for desensitization	50% weightbearing with crutches x 2 weeks Progress to full weightbearing after 4 weeks	 Passive knee ROM with hip in full extension Advance knee extension gradually as tolerated to 0° Gradually add active-assisted knee flexion/hip extension Hip flexion up to 90 degrees with knee flexed 	 Continue quad isometrics/quad sets Ankle pumps Begin active-assisted hip abduction Seated/standing calf raises Active assisted ROM of hip and knee Side-lying hip abduction Upper body strengthening

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Phase 3 (6-12 weeks) Goals: Return normal ROM Normalize gait Pain free ADLs, therapeutic exercise	Full weightbearing Get rid of crutches if have not already	 Full A/PROM Start gradual active knee flexion active assisted hip extension Continue to protect AGAINST simultaneous knee flexion/hip extension Modalities: Ice/stim PRN 	 Hip abductors/adductor strengthening Continue quad strengthening Incorporate stationary bike with seat high Anti-gravity hamstring curls SLR in all directions Bridges Clamshells Wall slides Half squats Begin walking on uneven surfaces
Phase 4 (12+ weeks) Goals: Full ROM Progress back to normal activities	Limited based only on pain and functional ability/strength No brace or crutches	 Full A/PROM Continue gradually increasing hamstring stretch and hip/knee flexibility 	 Progress abductors/adductors Advance LE strengthening/flexibility Closed chain exercises Progressive resistance exercises Advance core stability 12 weeks: walk/jog progression 16 weeks: progressive running/agility program