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## **ANKLE RECONSTRUCTION / MODIFIED BRÖSTROM REPAIR / PERONEAL TENDON REPAIR**

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### **Post-op Days 1 – 10**

L & U Splint / SLC  
Crutches – non weight bearing (NWB)  
AROM hip and knee  
Wiggle toes  
Straight leg raise (SLR) x 4 directions  
Short arc quad (SAQ)  
Upper body exercises (seated or bench only – no pushups)  
LE stretches – Hamstring, quads, ITB, Hip flexors  
Elevation

#### **Goals**

Pain management  
Prevent swelling

### **Day 10 – Week 6**

Short leg walking cast (SLWC)  
Crutches – flat foot weight bearing (FFWB) / partial weight bearing (PWB)

- Progress to weight bearing as tolerated (WBAT)
- D/C when gait is normal

Isometrics x 4 directions  
UBE for aerobic conditioning  
Stationary bike  
Ice as needed

#### **Goals**

Minimize quad atrophy  
Minimize deconditioning

### **Weeks 6 – 10**

Transition to ankle brace  
Continue appropriate previous and following exercises without brace  
Scar massage/mobilization with oil/cream  
Ankle active range of motion (AROM) – Calf pumping, alphabet, rotations  
Light Theraband ex x 4 directions  
Towel crunches and side-to-side

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Seated BAPS

Mini-squats, Wall squats, Total gym

Elliptical trainer

Gastroc/Soleus Stretching

### **Goals**

Normal gait

Full DF / PF

### **Weeks 10 – 12**

Continue ankle brace as needed and continue appropriate previous exercises

Strengthening ex, emphasize lateral ankle mm

– Theraband with increasing resistance

– Elgin

Steamboats (Theraband x 4 directions while standing on involved LE)

Double leg heel raises – Emphasize involved side

Leg press, knee ext, HS curl, hip weight machines

Forward, retro and lateral step downs

Proprioception ex – Double leg BAPS

Treadmill – Walking progression program

Stairmaster

Pool therapy

### **Goals**

Symmetrical ROM

Walk 2 miles at 15 min/mile pace

### **Months 3 – 4**

D/C brace

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Single leg heel raises

Proprioception ex – Single leg BAPS, ball toss, body blade

Fitter, slide board

Treadmill – Running progression program

### **Goals**

Normal strength

Run 2 miles at easy pace

### **Months 4 – 6**

Continue appropriate previous exercises

Push-up progression

Sit-up progression

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Continue running progression program to track and hard surfaces  
Agility drills / Plyometrics  
Transition to home / gym program

**Goals**

Return to all activities  
Pass APFT at 6 months post-op

***No sports until able to sprint figure 8's at full speed without pain***

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