Meniscus Repair

	<u>Weight</u> Bearing	<u>Brace</u>	ROM	<u>Exercises</u>
Phase I Weeks 0-2 PT 1-2x/week HEP daily	TTWB in brace w/ crutches *	Locked in full extension for sleeping and all activity Off for exercises & hygiene	0-90° when nonweight bearing	Heel slides, quad sets, patella mobs SLR No weight bearing with brace unlocked
Phase II Weeks 2-8 PT 2-3x/ week HEP daily	 2-4 weeks: 50% WB w/ crutches 4-8 weeks: Progress to full WB 	2-6 weeks : Unlocked 0-90° Off at night Discontinue brace at 6 weeks	As tolerated	Continue Phase 1 Heel raises, closed chain Terminal knee extension avoiding tibial rotation Activities w/ brace until 6 weeks After 6 weeks, w/o brace as tolerated No weight bearing with flexion > 90 °
Phase III Weeks 8-12 PT 2-3x/week HEP daily	WBAT	None	Full	Progress closed chain activities Begin hamstring work, lunges/leg press 0-90°, proprioception exercises, balance/core/hip/glutes Begin stationary bike
Phase IV Weeks 12-20 PT 1-2x/week HEP daily	WBAT	None	Full	Progress Phase III exercises & functional activities Single leg balance, core, glutes, eccentric hamstrings, elliptical, bike
Phase V > 20 weeks PT 1x/week HEP daily	WBAT	None	Full and painfree	Advance to sport-specific drills & running/jumping once cleared by MD

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