

# **Unicompartmental Knee Arthoplasty Protocol**

### **Days 3-10**

Active quad setting/SLR/SAQ/LAQ
Gait Training with walker/crutches — Weight Bearing as Tolerated
AAROM flexion with heel slides and/or seated off edge of bed 90°
PROM knee extension to 0° with overpressure
E-stim as needed for quad re-education or edema/pain control

## Days 11-21

Stationary Bike
Gait training without assistive device – Forward & Retro
Closed chain exercise – Squatting/Leg Press/Steps-ups as able
Hamstring/Calf/Hip strengthening
Terminal Knee Extension with resistance
Continue passive knee extension/prone hangs
STM/patellar mobilizations to prevent adhesions
Goal: 0-0-100° by day 21

### Weeks 4-5

Continue Biking – lower seat as tolerated
Progress strengthening intensity as tolerated
Emphasis on eccentrics during quadriceps strengthening
Continue with soft tissue stretching & mobilization as needed
Progress balance/proprioception training
Introduce recreational activity to tolerance (golfing, bowling, swimming, dancing, walking)
ROM goal: 0-0-125°

#### Weeks 6+

Isokinetic training at speeds <150°/sec
Isometric testing of bilateral knee strength with goal of >85% of contralateral leg
Continue all previous strengthening and end range stretching as needed
Progress return to previous functional capacity
Avoid activities involving high levels of joint impact (jogging, jumping)