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Name:		Date of Birth:
Diagnosis:	Lateral Collateral Ligament insufficiency	_Code:S53.20
Procedure:	Lateral Collateral Ligament Repair/Recon	Surgery Date:

In order for University of Utah Health Care to complete this referral, please fax the patient's first consult notes to the University of Utah Orthopaedic Center at 801-581-4404. Thank you.

Timing of each phase varies based on individual patient factors, length of time immobilized, strength/ROM status, and expected performance/activity demands.

## **Phase I:** Early ROM & Protect Repair (0 to 6 weeks after surgery)

- Splint and postop dressing remains in place for the first week
- Sutures are all underneath the skin and will dissolve on their own
- Initiate exercise program 5 times per day (after splint removed):

Passive and active elbow ROM to full flexion

Elbow extension to 30 degrees (with forearm pronated)

Forearm pronation/supination with elbow at 90 degrees flexion

- Grip and wrist/hand AROM immediately.
- AVOID terminal 30 degrees extension, perform supination ROM only with elbow flexed to 90 degrees
- Elbow brace at all times except with PT and showering. Brace locked at 60 degrees

## **Phase II:** Full ROM and Function (>6 weeks after surgery)

- Discontinue night brace
- Advance ROM
  - Full elbow and forearm ROM
  - o Terminal elbow extension performed with the forearm neutral or pronated until 3 months
- Initiate elbow and forearm strengthening
- AVOID activities creating axial load to involved extremity until 3 months

Modalities per Therapist Freq: 1-3x/week

Duration: 8-12 weeks

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