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ACL Reconstruction with Hamstring Tendon Autograft and MCL Repair

General

Full passive range of motion

Knee immobilizer for first 2 weeks

Brace unlocked to 90 degrees of flexion for ambulation only for 6 weeks

Stitches assessed and removed in clinic within 7-14 days

Weeks 0-1

CPM 0-30 and advance to 0-90 as tolerated

Extension/flexion-wall slides, prone hangs

Patellar mobilization

Ankle pumps

Quad sets with straight leg raises

Modalities as necessary to decrease swelling

Weeks 1-2

Continue week 1 activities Toe/heel raises

Hamstring sets

Weeks 2-6

Continue week 2 activities Terminal 1/3 knee bends

stretching (sit and reach with towel)

Achilles, calf and hamstring Stationary bike with both legs with gradual increased resistance

Weeks 6-10

Treadmill 7% walk

Double knee bends

Quads-specific strengthening exercises

Swimming with fins

Weeks 10-12

Single knee bends

Outdoor biking

Rowing/erg machine

Week 12

Return to run program = elliptical → treadmill → outdoor running

Leg press to 90° with weights

Leg curls with no hyperextension

Week 16

Sport-specific training with gradual return to agility exercises

6 months = Return to sports