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# Hip Arthroscopy Rehabilitation: Gluteus medius repair with or without labral debridement

### **General Guidelines:**

- Normalize gait pattern with brace and crutches
- 20 pounds weightbearing for 6 weeks
- Stationary bike for 2 bouts of 20-30 minutes if tolerated

### **Rehabilitation Schedule Goals:**

- Post-op Day 1
- 1<sup>st</sup>– 2<sup>nd</sup> months: 2x/week
- 3<sup>rd</sup> month: 2-3x/week
- 4<sup>th</sup> month 1-2x/week

### **Precautions:**

- Weightbearing restrictions to protect repair
- Avoid flexor tendonitis, trochanteric bursitis, and synovitis
- Increase range of motion with focus on flexion
  - o No active abduction, IR or passive ER, adduction for 6 weeks

#### **Guidelines:**

- Weeks 0-4
  - Bike for 20 minutes/day (can be 2x/day)
  - Scar massage
  - Hip PROM
    - Hip flexion as tolerated, abduction as tolerated
    - Log roll
    - No active abduction and IR
    - No passive ER (4 weeks) or adduction (6 weeks)
    - Stool stretch for hip flexors and adductors
  - Hamstring isotonics
  - Hip isometrics
    - ER, adduction, extension at 2 weeks

- Pelvic tilts
- NMES to quads with SAQ with pelvic tilt
- Stool rotations /prone rotations
- Stool stretch for hip flexors and adductors
- Quadruped rocking for hip flexion
- Gait training PWB with assistive device
- Modalities

### • Weeks 4-6

- Continue with previous therapy
- Gait training 20 lbs weightbearing and avoid Trendelenberg gait
- Stool rotations IR/ER (20 degrees)
- Supine bridges
- Isotonic adduction
- Progress core strengthening (avoid hip flexor tendonitis)
- Progress with hip strengthening
  - Start isometric sub max pain free hip flexion(4 weeks)
  - Quadriceps strengthening
- Scar massage
- Aqua therapy in low end of water if available

#### • Weeks 6-8

- Continue with previous therapy
- Increase weightbearing to 100% by 8 weeks with crutches
- Progress with ROM
  - Passive hip IR/ER
    - Stool rotation ER/IR as tolerated » Standing on BAPS » prone hip ER/IR
- Hip Joint mobs with mobilization belt into limited joint range of motion
  - Lateral and inferior with rotation
  - Prone posterior-anterior glides with rotation
- Progress core strengthening (avoid hip flexor tendonitis)

### • Weeks 8-10

- Continue with previous therapy
- Progressive hip ROM
- Wean off crutches (2 » 1» 0) without trendelenberg gait / normal gait
- Progressive LE and core strengthening
  - Hip isometrics for abduction and progress to isotonics
  - Leg press (bilateral LE)
  - Isokinetics: knee flexion/extension
- Begin proprioception/balance activities
- Bilateral cable column rotations
- Elliptical

### • Weeks 10-12

- Continue with previous therapy
- Progressive hip ROM
- Progressive LE and core strengthening
  - Hip PREs and hip machine

- Unilateral Leg press
- Unilateral cable column rotations
- Hip Hiking
- Step downs
- Hip flexor, glute/piriformis, and It-band Stretching manual and self
- Progress balance and proprioception
  - Bilateral » Unilateral » foam » dynadisc
- Treadmill side stepping from level surface holding on progressing to inclines when gluteus medius is with good strength
- Side stepping with theraband
- Hip hiking on stairmaster (week 12)

### • Weeks 12+

- Progressive LE and core strengthening
- Progressive hip ROM and stretching
- Endurance activities around the hip
- Dynamic balance activities
- Treadmill running program
- Sport specific agility drills

## • 3,6,12 months Re-Evaluate (Criteria for discharge)

- Pain free or at least a manageable level of discomfort
- MMT within 10 percent of uninvolved LE
- Biodex test of Quadriceps and Hamstrings peak torque within 15 percent of uninvolved
- Step down test