
HIP RESURFACING

This procedure involves inserting a metal shell into the acetabulum (socket) and a metal cap onto the head of the femur bone (resurfacing). Remember the response and needs of each patient will vary.

PRECAUTIONS:

- ◆ None

WEIGHTBEARING STATUS:

- ◆ WBAT (weight bear as tolerated)

THERAPEUTIC GUIDELINES:

- ◆ Keep leg in neutral position (when sitting or supine foot towards ceiling, not rotating out to the side) for the first 6 weeks
- ◆ Prone lying allowed to address hip flexion contracture
- ◆ Active hip abduction allowed immediately
- ◆ Emphasis on strengthening extensors and abductors
- ◆ **Progression into an outpatient physical therapy setting** should be initiated as early in rehab as tolerable when appropriate. Contact the office if a new prescription is needed

INITIAL PHASE: (weeks 1-2)

Program:

- ü Independent transfers, ambulation and activities of daily living (ADLs) with assistive device
- ü Begin strengthening and controlled stretching
- ü Progressive walking program! (advance to 1 crutch/cane only with minimal analgesic or trendelenberg gait)
- ü Prone exercises if capable
- ü Bridging program
- ü Address hip flexor contracture
- ü Address compensatory neuromuscular dysfunction
- ü Core strengthening
- ü Stationary bike and/or treadmill initiated
- ü Home exercise program
- ü Ice as needed for pain control and swelling - 20 minutes on / 20 minutes off

INTERMEDIATE PHASE: (weeks 3-4)

Program:

- ü Ambulate without assistive device only with minimal analgesic or trendelenberg gait

deviation

- ü Balance/proprioceptive exercises
- ü Staples out at week 3, begin scar mobilization when wound healed
- ü Aquatherapy may be considered when wound healed and medically stable
- ü Progressive strengthening (concentric/eccentric control and open/closed chain)
- ü Elliptical machine initiated if available (emphasize erect posture for hip flexor stretch)
- ü Discharge Ted-hose at 4 weeks or when Coumadin is stopped

ADVANCED PHASE: (weeks 5+)

Program:

- ü Progress strengthening/endurance to functional level
 - ü Progress ambulation to functional level
 - ü Neuromotor control activities
 - ü Perturbation activities
 - ü Evaluate length of ITB and address if necessary
 - ü Utilize heat modalities if necessary
 - ü Progressive home program of stretching, strengthening and endurance for one year post-operatively
 - ü Advanced activities allowed if strength and safety not a concern
 - ü Sport specific rehab if appropriate
- ***Follow-up with Dr. Sheinkop in his office at 6 weeks.** It will then be decided if further outpatient physical therapy is necessary
- v Sexual activity may be resumed when comfortable for both partners
 - v Driving approved when off narcotics for a left surgical side. Right surgical sides may resume driving when off narcotics and there is good leg control
 - v Carry loads in ipsilateral arm (same as side of surgery)
 - v Healing can take up to 1 year. Expect some response to the surgery and exercise such as muscle soreness and swelling. Individual rehabilitation outcomes do vary
 - v Elastic stockings (ted-hose) should be worn with airplane travel for up to 1 year post-operatively
 - v Exercise should become a lifetime commitment to lengthen the survivorship of your new joint!

LIFELONG RESTRICTIONS:

- v **High impact activities (ie-running or jumping) not recommended**