

# Flexion/Extension-Wall Slides:

(10-15 minutes, 3-4 times per day)

- Place leg on wall, with uninvolved leg supporting involved leg.
- Slowly slide legs down wall until discomfort/stretch is felt in involved leg. Hold 5 seconds.
- If desired, place good leg on top of involved to provide overpressure.
- Be aware of any range of motion precautions set forth by your doctor.

Limits\_\_\_\_\_ Weeks \_\_\_\_\_



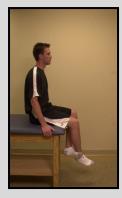


# Flexion/Extension-Seated:

(10-15 minutes, 3-4 times per day)

- Using uninvolved leg under involved leg, bend and straighten knee in pain-free range.
- Be aware of any range of motion precautions set forth by your doctor.

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#### **Patella/Tendon Mobilization:**

(10 minutes, 3-4 times per day)

- Move knee cap side-to-side for 2-3 minutes, up and down for 2-3 minutes.
- **Avoid** pushing down on knee cap.
- Move quadricep and patellar tendon side to side 2-3 minutes each.





#### **Extension mobilization:**

(2 x 20 oscillations, 3-4 times per day)

- Position ankle on foam roll or similar surface.
- Apply a downward oscillating force on tibia.





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#### **Quad Sets:**

(1-2 sets, 15 reps, 2-3 times per day)

- Gently tighten thigh muscle, drawing the knee cap towards the hip and extending the back of the knee towards the bed.
- Hold 5 seconds. Relax and repeat.



#### **Total Knee Extension (TKE's):**

(1-2 sets, 15 reps, 1-2 times per day)

- Place foam roll/towel under knee with heel resting on therapist's fist.
- Raise heel off of fist by tightening quadricep muscle. Maintain back of knee on foam roller.

#### **Straight Leg Raises:**

(2-3 sets, 15 reps, 2-3 times per day)

- Tighten quadricep muscle until leg is fully
- Slowly lift 6 inches off of table, then lower. Relax and repeat.

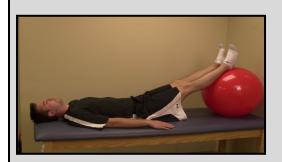


# **Hamstring Series:**

# **Hamstring Sets:**

(1-2 sets, 15 reps, 2-3 times per day)

• Legs straight on ball, press heels into ball contracting hamstrings. Hold 5 seconds.







# **Hamstring Bridges:**

(1-2 sets, 15 reps, 2-3 times per day)

- Legs straight on ball, press heels into ball while lifting hips off of table.
- Hold 5 seconds. Relax and repeat.



# Sit and Reach for hamstrings (towel):

(20-30 seconds, 3-5 reps, 2-3 times per day)

Using towel/strap, slowly pull toes towards you until a stretch is felt in the calf/hamstrings.



# **Ankle Pumps:**

(3-4 times/day, 5-15 minutes)

With a straight leg, flex and point ankle back and forth.





#### Toe and Heel Raises:

(2 sets, 20 reps, 2-3 times per day)

Feet shoulder width apart, raise up on toes, then down, then back on heels to lift toes.





# **Balance Series:**

# **Single Leg Balance:**

(30 sec, 3-5 times)

- Stand on one leg using support as appropriate.
- Progress to standing on uneven surface, foam, cushion, etc.









# **Cardiovascular Exercise**

# **Bike/Rowing with well leg** (1-2 times per day, 5-30 minutes):

• Use well leg for cardiovascular exercise. Prop involved leg on a chair or stool.

#### **Bike with both legs – no resistance** (1-2 times per day, 5-40 minutes):

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# Aqua-jogging (5-30 minutes):

- Use aqua-jogger vest in deep end of pool, avoid feet touching bottom.
- Mimic jogging motion using arms and legs.

# **Treadmill – walking incline** (5-30 minutes):

- Incline to 7-12°.
- Take normal strides and keep your feet quiet.

#### **Swimming with (short) fins** (5-30 minutes):

- Flutter kick with kickboard as tolerated.
- It is ok to kick on back with/without kickboard.

#### **Elliptical Trainer** (10-30 minutes):

- Ease into training by not fully extending knees.
- Increase time and resistance as tolerated.

#### **Rowing** (10-30 minutes):

• Ease into rowing by not fully extending knees and not bending past 90°.

#### Stair Stepper (10-30 minutes):

- Begin with a short stepping motion on light resistance. Use your hands to support some of your weight.
- Never let feet come off pedals or let the pedals hit the bottom.
- Always maintain a slight bend in the knees.