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Ulnar Collateral Ligament Reconstruction Steadman*Hawkins Protocol

Sling for 2-3 weeks

Phase 1 – Maximum Protection Phase (0-10 days)

Reduce Inflammation

Immobilization in hinged brace at 90 degrees of elbow flexion

Ice and modalities to reduce pain and inflammation

Begin passive, progressing to active wrist and hand range of motion

Begin hand strengthening

Phase 2- Progressive Stretching and Active Range of Motion (10 days to 6 weeks)

Week 2-3 Brace setting 30-100 degrees

Active elbow flexion and extension 30-100 degrees Increase Intensity of wrist and hand strengthening Begin rotator cuff strengthening avoiding valgus stress

Scapular strengthening exercises

Proprioception drills emphasizing neuromuscular control

Week 3-4 Brace setting 15-110 degrees

Increase range settings, 5 degrees of extension and 10 degrees of flexion

per week progressing to full by week 6

Continue with gradual progression in ROM as outlined in week 2

Week 4-5 Brace setting 10-120 degrees

Begin light biceps and triceps strengthening

Continue with progressive rotator cuff and scapular strengthening

avoiding valgus stress

Week 5-6 Brace setting 5-130 degrees

Phase 3 – Strengthening Phase (Weeks 6-10)

Week 6-8 Discontinue brace

Modalities as needed

Restore full elbow ROM with terminal stretching Resisted biceps, wrist, and hand strengthening Proprioception and neuromuscular control drills

Manual resistance and PNF patterns with proximal stabilization

Week 8-10 Continue with terminal stretches

Advance rotator cuff and scapular strengthening program