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Patient Flow Sheet

EXTENSOR TENDON REPAIR ZONES 5,6 & 7 (MALLET FINGER)

Day 1 post op: Surgic	al dressing removed, wound examined and redressed. Educate patient in edema control and wound care (provide edema sheet). Splint wrist 40-45 degrees extension. Support MP joints 0 degrees or slight hyper ext. IP joints free. <u>If injury to Ext. Indicis Proprius or Ext. Digiti Minimi,</u> then splint only repaired tendons. <u>If injury to Communis,</u> then consider Juncturae Tendinum: If proximal to juncture, all fingers splinted in extension. If distal to juncture, splint adjacent fingers in 30 degrees flexion.	
3 weeks post op:	Gently debride wound PRN. Guarded AROM, AAROM of extension at MP with wrist extended then relax MP joints to 30-40 degrees flexion. IP joints full AROM with wrist in extension. Scar Management. Desensitization/ Resensitization with progressive media applications (towel, rice).	
4-5 weeks post op:	Active claw position to prevent adhesion Active intrinsic plus (hood) Active wrist flexion gradually increasing with relaxed fingers	
5-6 weeks post op:	Active composite finger flexion, using graded dowels Wrist neutral controlled splint Closed fist ADL's with splint on	
6-7 weeks	Simultaneous finger and wrist flexion. Begin gentle grip and pinch activities. Can use functional electrical stimulation /dynamic splinting PRN. ADL's without resistance. Week 7 D/C splint.	
10/12 weeks	Normal ADL's.	