TOTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY

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	ROM GOALS	STRENGTH GOALS	FUNCTION GOALS
0-1 week	 CPM 0-90° on at all times in bed during hospital stay Initiate AROM/PROM exercises: heel slides, sitting knee flexion/extension, ankle ROM Daily ROM measurements: goal of PROM 0-90°, A/AROM 0-80/90° 	 Initiate strengthening exercises: supine quad set, hamstring set, glut set, SLR, SAQ, hip abduction/ adduction, sitting TKE, sitting hip flexion, ankle pumps Distribute HEP 	 For discharge home: transfers independently; ambulate 50-150 feet using walker, WBAT; ascend/descend steps safely For discharge to rehab: progress transfers, gait and stairs as able
2-3 weeks	 Continue heel slides, sitting ROM Aggressive PROM into flexion and extension Progress to standing and prone ROM exercises Bike when flexion to 90° Joint mobilizations/Patellar mobilizations Soft tissue, myofascial and scar mobilizations Daily measurements: goal of 0-110° AROM 	 Complete quad set-augment with electrical stimulation as needed Start closed kinetic chain exercises: heel raises, step ups, mini squats Standing hip flexion, hip abduction/adduction, extension; progress with weights as tolerated Initiate dynamic balance exercises when indicated 	 Use of ice and elevation Monitor for swelling and infection Gait training working on mechanics and transition from walker to cane as mobility improves
3-8 weeks	Continue as above Daily measurements: goal of 0-110°+ AROM	 Continue standing and CKC exercises, add weight as indicated Progress balance and proprioception exercises (trampoline, BAPS, foam roll) Aquatic therapy may be initiated 	 Normal gait without assistive device Floor transfers Independent with all daily activities
2-4 months	Continue aggressively as above to have/maintain full ROM: 0-120°+	Increase difficulty of resistance and balance/ proprioception exercises	 Pain-free functional activity Education on activities to avoid (loading knee, repetitive compression forces)

