

strength

Post-Operative Protocol Total Wrist Arthroplasty Therapy Protocol

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Days 10-14 0	ays Post-Operatively:
□ S _I	plint
	Bulky postop dressing is removed
	Apply a light compressive dressing with digital level finger socks for edema control
	Orthotic wrist splint is fabricated to be worn at all times except during exercises
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	Begin AROM/PROM for digits
	Emphasis on composite flexion and full extension, including isolated EDC exercises
□ W	/ound Care
	 Sutures will be removed at 10-14 days post-op, in the office
	 May begin scar massage with Vitamin E oil/lotion at 2.5 weeks post-op
	Edema control, light compressive dressing/stockinette
6 Weeks Post	t-Op:
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	Discontinue use of wrist splint
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	Initiate AROM and PROM for wrist
8 Weeks Pos	t-Op:
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	Initiate gentle strengthening to the hand
Expectations	:
• Rang	ge of motion goal for the wrist is 30-45 degrees of extension and flexion with circumduction

The goal of the procedure is to decrease pain, create a functional arc of motion, and increase grip

Lifetime lifting restriction of 10 pounds with operative extremity