Arthroscopic Meniscus Root Repair	CRYSTAL CLINIC ORTHOPAEDIC CENTER Post-op protocol for <i>Daniel Myer, M.D.</i>
Weeks 0-6	 Strict NWB Hinged knee brace is patient specific *May be used to prevent hamstring activation during gait Weeks 0-2: NWB ROM 0-45 Weeks 3-6: NWB ROM 0-90 Patellar mobs, quad sets, SLR ** Avoid isometric hamstring activities Bike: within ROM restrictions, no resistance Hip and core strengthening
Weeks 7-12	 Weeks 7-9: WB 0-40 using hinged brace *Progressive WB (start TDWB / locked straight) and advance only as pain & effusion allows Weeks 10-12: WB 0-60 using hinged brace Full NWB ROM as pain allows General rule: CKC WB knee flexion < 70 until 12 weeks OK for isometric hamstring exercises
Weeks 13-20	 WB 0-90 (hinged brace if needs protection) Full NWB ROM Double-leg squats, static lunges, progressive dynamic lunges, stationary bike with resistance After 16 weeks: Single-leg squats, single-leg deadlifts, step-up/step-downs, multidirectional lunges, stationary bike with resistance
6-9 Months	 No deep squatting for 6 months Return to cutting sports 8-9 months

Special Notes:

Specifics on protocol: Mueller BT et al. Rehabilitation Following Meniscus Root Repair: A Clinical Commentary. J Orthop Sports Phys Ther 2016 Feb;46(2):104-113