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## Lateral Epicondylitis Debridement/Repair

<u>Postop</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Precautions</u>	<u>Exercises</u>
Weeks 0-1 No formal PT	Edema and pain control	Splint and sling	Hand and wrist ROM
Weeks 1-4 PT 2-3x/week HEP daily	Edema and pain control Protect surgical repair Full ROM by week 4	DC splint DC sling at 2 weeks No active wrist extension No lifting >1lb No concentric/eccentric exercises	Emphasize restoration ROM Progressive AA/PROM elbow/wrist/hand Initiate shoulder program Gentle submaximal isometrics at 2 weeks
Weeks 4-8 PT 2-3x/week HEP daily	Full ROM Improve strength	No lifting >5lbs Counterforce brace No active wrist extension until 6 weeks	Continue above Advance ROM (end-range over pressure) Advance isometrics Light concentric/eccentric at 6 weeks
Weeks 8-12 PT 1-2x/week HEP daily	Improve strength	Avoid too much too soon Counterforce brace prn	Continue above Advance strengthening Begin task-specific functional training
Weeks 12+ PT 1-2x/week HEP daily	Return to activity	Avoid too much too soon Return to sport (MD directed)	Continue above Advance strengthening and endurance Sport specific exercises