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Post-Operative Rehabilitation Guidelines for <u>Distal Biceps Tendon Repair</u>

0-First Post-Op Visit: Sling and Splint all times

2-6 Weeks: Please make patient removable extension block splint at 45°

Begin Active Assist ROM. Initially Limit Extension to 45°, Advance to

full extension by 6 weeks.

Splint all times other than exercises Wrist/Shoulder ROM exercises

6-9 Weeks: May D/C elbow Splint

Continue Passive/Active Assist ROM Elbow

Begin Biceps Isometrics

Begin Cuff/Deltoid Isometrics Maintain Wrist/Shoulder ROM

9-12 Weeks: Begin Active Elbow Flexion against gravity

Maintain ROM Elbow/Wrist/Shoulder

Advance to resistive Strengthening Deltoid/Rotator Cuff

Week 12 – 6 months: Begin Gradual elbow flexion strengthening and advance as

tolerated.