James B. Cowan, MD Clavicle ORIF Protocol

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| | Phase I: Weeks 0-2 | Phase II: Weeks 3-6 | Phase III: Weeks 7-12 |
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| Weight-Bearing and Immobilization | Non-weight-bearingSling at all times except for during pendulum (see below) | No lifting >1 lbs.Sling at all times unless performing PT exercises | Discontinue sling Gradually progress to WBAT |
| Aerobic | • None | Stationary bike | Begin light walk-jog-run progression if desired |
| Range of Motion (ROM) and Strengthening | Pendulum exercises 4-5 times daily Isometric deltoid, IR, and ER exercises at neutral rotation only Hand squeeze/pumps AROM of elbow, wrist, and fingers | Continue Phase I exercises including isometrics ROM Goals (start supine) PROM/AAROM 90° maximum weeks 2-4 PROM/AAROM 120° maximum weeks 4-6 Scapular retraction Elbow, forearm, and hand ball squeeze exercises as tolerated | Continue Phase II exercises Progress to full AROM Strengthening Begin after full ROM has been achieved Begin with FF, IR, ER and ABD band exercises and progress to light weights as tolerated Scapular stabilization At 12+ weeks may increase resistance At 12+ weeks may begin progressive return to full activities |
| Other | Heat before and/or ice after PT sessions as needed Modalities as needed to reduce pain/swelling and for muscle re-education Home Exercise Program (HEP) per discretion of Physical Therapist | | |
| Goals | Pain controlProtect tissue healingMinimize joint stiffness | Continue pain controlContinue to protect tissue healingBegin ROM exercises | Achieve full ROMBegin strengtheningProgress activities at 12+ weeks |