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Non-Operative Clavicle Fracture Protocol

Phase I

Sling 1) Worn at all times

Weeks 0-2 1) Protect clavicle

2) Motion restrictions: No shoulder ROM, no lifting with injured arm

3) Therex: Elbow/forearm exercises, ball squeeze exercise

4) Strength: No resistive exercises/activities

Phase II

Sling 1) For comfort

Weeks 2-6 1) Advance ROM

2) Therex: Begin gentle PROM progressing to AAROM then AROM

- All planes as tolerated by pain

3) Strength: 4 wks begin gentle Theraband resistive exercises

Phase III

Sling 1) Discontinue sling at all times

Weeks 6-12 1) Restore function

2) Therex: goal for full motion by week 12

3) Strength: 10 wks increase resistance and sports specific training

4) Return to sports: 3-6 months from surgical intervention only