

## **Acute Post-Operative Knee Exercises**

#### Flexion / Extension Wall Slides:

(10 - 15 minutes, 3 - 4 times per day)



- Place leg on wall, with uninvolved leg supporting involved leg
- Slowly slide legs down wall until discomfort/stretch is felt in involved leg. Hold 5 seconds.
- If desired, place good leg on top of involved to provide overpressure.
- Be aware of any range of motion precautions set forth by your doctor.

#### **Seated Flexion / Extension Active Assistive:**

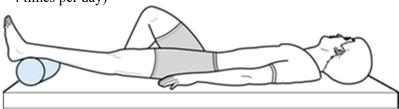
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- Using uninvolved leg under involved leg, bend and straighten knee in pain-free range.
- Be aware of any range of motion precautions set forth by your doctor.

### **Passive Knee Extension:**

(10 - 15 minutes, 3 - 4 times per day)



- While laying on your back, please place a towel roll under your heel and leg hang unsupported. A stretch should be felt behind knee. Only minimal discomfort should be felt.
- If more than minimal discomfort is felt or sharp pain/pinching across front of your knee is present, STOP!

If you have any questions about the exercises, please contact either of our offices and ask for:

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# **Upright Stationary Bike with Seat Elevated:**

(5 minutes, 3 - 4 times per day)



- Raise the seat as high as possible and gradually drop it as stiffness subsides.
- Pedal in at a controlled manner with no tension, allowing involved leg to complete a full revolution on bike as your uninvolved leg is producing most of the force.
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